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Future OKCCC students? Three youngsters, out of school for the summer, have found something that sparks their interest as they wait patiently at a table in the OKCCC registration area.

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By Darcey Ralls Staff Writer

Although OKCCC has always maintained a diverse student population, other colleges have not.

On May 21, the Oklahoma State House of Representatives honored the contributions of African-American students who broke the "color line" at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University graduate schools 50 years ago.

They unanimously passed Concurrent Resolution 1059 in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the bill that allowed an exception to the policy of racial segregation at Oklahoma graduate schools.

Shortly after statehood, the Oklahoma Legislature passed a series of statutes establishing the policy of racial segregation in the

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> -Hans Brisch Oklahoma Higher Education Chancellor

number of Africa-American students enrolled at OU and OSU.

These students helped to dismantle the policy of racial segregation and discrimination in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma Higher Education Chancellor Hans Brisch said he wants to see even more diversity on Oklahoma's campuses as they continue to grow in enrollment.

"Higher education is committed to continuing efforts to ensure Oklahoma college and university campuses reflect the cultural

diversity and global nature of our society," he said. OKCCC opened its doors in 1972.

The numbers show that OKCCC has had an increase in the number of minority students and a decrease in the number of students who identify themselves as Caucasian. In the fall of 1975, Cau-

casians made up 81 percent of the student popu-

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State regents OK \$2 per hour tuition hike

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By Melissa Guice Editor

The cost of attending OKCCC just went up, effective fall 1999.

Instead of the \$29.50 cost per credit hour, both resident and non-resident students will have to shell out an extra two bucks an hour thanks to the recent increase approved by the Oklahoma Legislature and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

Earlier increase estimates by the State Regents called for a 5 percent cap, or \$31 per



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Hans Brisch

credit hour. For an average full time student taking 12 hours a semes-

ter, the increase figures up to be an extra \$24 each semester

The increases are the first since the fall of 1997 and are expected to generate up to \$14.6 million in much needed revenue, according to the State Regents.

The State Regents were only allocated \$771 million in state appropriations from the state

Legislature for the fiscal year 2000; they asked for \$865 million.

The tuition increase is also part of the State Regents' long term plan to have Oklahoma students pay one-third of their college costs. Oklahoma students currently pay about a quarter of their college costs.

A greater increase is in store for students who transfer to universities in the fall, though.

Students who plan to attend public comprehensive universities like the University of Oklahoma in Norman or Oklahoma State University in Stillwater can expect an 8 percent tuition increase. The increase differs between \$4.50 and \$5 per credit hour.

Tuition at regional universities like the University of Central Oklahoma will be hiked by 7 percent — from \$46 to \$49 per credit hour.

A credit hour at technical branches of schools such as OSU-OKC in Oklahoma City will cost an extra \$3 an hour —from \$41 to \$44 an hour.

"Oklahoma students pay some of the lowest tuition

Editorial and Opinion _

Editorial

Leavin' home ain't what it used to be

"I'll be glad when I can move out of here and do what I want, when I want and how I want." These battle cries are often heard around the world from independent-minded teenagers.

With high school graduation comes preparation for the next hurdle to adulthood.

Leaving the nest.

Teens are planning their budgets, looking at apartments and sorting all their worldly possessions.

They have heard about empty nest syndrome that parents sometimes experience but decide mom and dad are just going to have to get over it.

The day finally arrives. Their bags are loaded, the car is running, the goodbyes are said.

With fear and excitement the now young adult drives off into a whole new experience — the first day of the rest of their life.

If this is the first time to move away from home, feelings of giddiness and lightheadedness may overwhelm even the most determined.

But these feelings may be short lived as the nowindependent adults prepares to purchase their first bill of weekly groceries.

The first trip to the grocery store brings excitement as they explore the possibilities for their first week of menus.

One young man's first trip to the store cost a small fortune, but his reasoning was, he had enough food to last a month. After his buddies visited that evening, he found he was not going to be able to afford to eat in the manner to which he had become accustomed at home.

Next visit he found if he purchased 20 boxes of macaroni and cheese he could make it on \$10 a week for groceries.

In the meantime empty nest syndrome is playing out but not necessarily for the parents.

Some students do not check in with mom and dad for a couple of weeks, believing they need to give the folks a chance to adjust.

About the time they wear their last clean shirt and are getting a little tired of macaroni and cheese, they decide it is time to see how the folks are dealing with their departure.

They gather up their laundry and go pay a visit to dear old mom and dad.

"What? No answer? Where could they possibly be?" the child wonders.

The offspring may climb through the window or find the spare key under the mat.

The first thing they discover is their room no longer looks familiar. It's now a sewing room.

They wander into the kitchen and open the fridge, hoping mom has left some of her pot roast she is so famous for. Nothing but skim milk, a little margarine and old salad dressing.

The student begins to feel a little alarmed. "Where could they be?"

Try a cruise, Disneyland, dinner out.

Empty nest syndrome is not what it used to be. —Becky Gerred Staff Writer

Stop the 'undeclared' war now

To the Editor:

I'm participating in an Internet campaign to stop the war in Yugoslavia before ground troops are deployed and I'd like to invite everyone to join me.

Please go to www.StopTheWarNow.com and sign the petition. You can add your personal comments to the petition. It will then be submitted directly to your representative in the U.S. House of Representatives and to both your U.S. Senators.

Every day that this "undeclared" war continues, it becomes more likely that ground troops will be deployed and that we will find ourselves in another Vietnam-style quagmire. As the war escalates, it will become increasingly difficult for politicians to admit that they made a mistake, end the war and bring our troops home.

The bombing of Yugoslavia is a textbook example of the folly of foreign intervention: So far, the US-NATO air assault has accomplished the exact opposite of what President Clinton

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promised.

Our bombardment has prompted more attacks on innocent civilians, worsened the plight of refugees, caused the conflict to spill over to neighboring nations and inflamed anti-American sentiments around the world. Bombing errors have resulted in the deaths of refugees — the very people we are supposed to be protecting.

We acknowledge the terrible human suffering of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo — suffering which has been exacerbated by our reckless attack on Yugoslavia. However, that tragedy does not justify American military intervention that puts our nation at risk.

The job of the American military is to defend the United States and to keep Americans safe. Instead, our air assault on Yugoslavia has reduced our military preparedness, reignited Cold War tensions with Russia and made us a more tempting target for terrorists.

If the American people don't speak out, the war

By Leigh Rubin

will continue to escalate, ground troops will be eventually be deployed and American casualties will rise. If we don't want that to happen, we must persuade our representatives in Congress to stop the war.

So, please take time right now to go to www.StopTheWarNow.com and sign the petition. Thank you.

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I got the last two tickets!"

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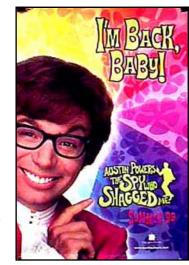
Mike Myers' missing mojo makes for marvelous movie

"Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me" is truly a showcase of Mike Myers' talent.

Myers plays Austin Powers, a quirky, hairychested, shag-happy agent who is on a mission to get his mojo back. Myers' mojo was introduced in the first movie when he made the fembots explode via crossmojonation.

Dr. Evil (also played by Myers) orders Fat Bastard (also played by Myers), a larger than life character who weighs a metric ton, to steal Austin's mojo while he is frozen. When Austin realizes what has happened, he travels back into the '60s to reclaim his manhood.

Austin hooks up with a sexy CIA agent named Felicity Shagwell ("Shagwell by name, Shag-very-well by reputation") played by Heather Graham. Unfortunately for Powers, due to



his missing mojo he is not yet able to determine if she lives up to her reputation.

Aiding Dr. Evil in his evil plan to conquer the world is a character the villain dubs Mini-Me. He is a pintsize version of Dr. Evil with all of the same mannerisms including holding his tiny little pinky to his tiny little mouth. He even has his own Mr. Bigglesworth.

Robert Wagner returns as the '90s Number Two and Myers' close pal Rob Lowe plays Number Two in the '60s. Basil Exposition, played by Michael York, and Scott Evil, played by Seth Green, return in this sequel to help Dr. Evil with his sinister plan.

There are many wonderful cameo performances in the latest Powers' plot. They include Jerry Springer, Willie Nelson, Woody Harrelson and Elvis Costello.

If you enjoyed the first Austin Powers movie, you will love this one! If you haven't experienced Austin, you're missing out!

Get in your car, drive to the theater and find out if Austin Powers is successful in his attempts to regain his mojo.

"Yeah, baby, yeah!" -Darcey Ralls **Staff Writer**

Chicken soup, good for body and for soul

and Mark Victor Hansen decided to write the Chicken Soup Series they hit upon

my kind of reading

books in the series of similar yet different

The writers have compiled a series of 101 short stories and essays

Anyone who picks up this book will laugh, cry and giggle all the way through.

The reader is inspired, challenged, encouraged and strengthened through day-to-day stories of other people's experiences through successes and failures.

When Jack Canfield girl at her college graduation going through many feelings of discouragement, anger and

frustration that her dad did not care enough even to attend her commencement exercises, only to

have him call out to her from the sidelines after the graduation was over.

The poor old farmer had arrived after all and given her a precious gift of love.

Most book stores in the Oklahoma City area carry this book and others in the series.

The recommended retail price is \$12.95 and well worth every penny.

It's an excellent book to add to your permanent home library.

-Becky Gerred **Staff Writer**

Newspaper's editorial lacks the most important information

To the Editor:

I am somewhat saddened by the June 6 editorial by Melissa Guice.

Ms. Guice sees the prob-

"Guice makes no mention of countless facts that could have changed the chain of events if anyone cared." -Christian Towles **OKCCC Employee**

lem at Columbine High School as "that each of these weapons were legally available with no required licensing.'

She makes no mention of the repeated attempts of the Brown family to involve the sheriff's department with the threats and verbal assaults and the depart-

ment's refusal to take legal action.

She makes no mention of the school administration that knew nothing of the "trenchcoat mafia."

She makes no mention of the violent student film that acted out the event in detail in advance of the event and was reviewed by school authorities prior to the event.

She makes no mention of a media that makes stars of mass murderers and makes a profit while doing it with FCC sanction and approval.

Guice makes no mention of countless other facts that could have changed the chain of events if anyone cared.

I guess I just don't get it.

Will someone explain?

-Christian Towles **OKCCC Employee**

'Curve' full of twists and turns

Reviewer says room will spin after all of the plot twists

It's funny, it's weird, a bit sick and really twisted.

I'm talking about the movie, "The Curve." It's either a take off of "Dead Man on Campus" or vice-versa.

It stars Matthew Lilard and "Felicity" star Keri Russell along with two newer faces in Hollywood.

It's about three guys, best friends no less, who have discovered the perfect way to get a 4.0 GPA for the semester — kill your roommate and make it look like a suicide.

Unlike "Dead Man on Campus," the humor isn't that light — it's a bit more dark.

These two guys make it look as if their best friend and roommate got so drunk and depressed one night he threw himself off of a cliff. For a while, the plan

seemed to be working. Until the body never appeared in the water below. That's when the detectives started to snoop around.

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This is where Lilard does his best work. He plays the psycho roommate who tries to make it look like it's the other guy's fault, without going so far as to say it.

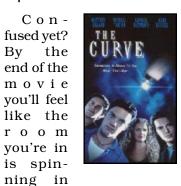
Lilard even seduces his roommate's girlfriend played by Keri Russell.

All the while, the body is still missing.

Just when you think it's over, the whole thing changes.

What if the guy who was supposed to be dead really wasn't?

What if the other roommate conspired with the one who was supposed to be dead to really kill the other roommate?

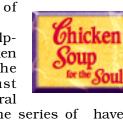


circles, but if you can figure the movie out, then it's all worth it. If you can't, then it's always fun to watch it again.

The catch to watching this movie is that you won't have to stand in long movie lines. Instead you have to battle for the last copy at Blockbuster Video, because it was released straight to video.

So, happy fighting.

-Jamie Johnson **Assistant Editor**



"A 2nd Helping of Chicken Soup for the Soul" is just one of several

books

for easy reading.

One story is about a

Math professor asked to speak at conference

By Darcey Ralls Staff Writer

Jay Malmstrom, OKCCC professor of mathematics, has been asked to give a presentation at the annual conference for the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges for the third year in a row.

This year's conference will be held in Pittsburgh, Pa., Nov. 18 through 21.

Typically, 2,000 people attend the conference and only about 100 people are asked to present each year. In his presentation, of each

Malmstrom said, he explains how to use activities and manipulatives like dominoes, dice and playing cards to help students develop some of the abstract concepts in mathematics. "It is an honor to be se-

lected and recognized," Malmstrom said.

"The last two years, my sessions have been well-received."

Malmstrom said he is excited about the conference.

"It gives you the chance to compare other courses that people teach similar to yours, and bounce ideas off of each other.

"It is also a great opportunity to meet people from outside your area," he said. In one activity, which is

designed to help students understand statistics, Malmstrom puts red, black and white beads into a tub.

He explains, when gathering statistics, a person can't talk to everyone so taking a sample is necessary.

In this case, the students would take 10 scoops (samples) of beads out of the tub, then count the number of each color of beads in each scoop.



Jay Malmstrom

By doing this the students will be able to determine if the beads are evenly distributed.

"When I set it up I put more of a certain color in there than the others," he said.

"It's just when you look at it you can't tell that. It's more than taking a brief cursory scan of something.

"You can give them an idea of the sense of sampling."

Malmstrom said most of the mathematics students are accustomed to using consist of arithmetic or algebra.

"Many mathematical things fall outside of this."

Distance education a growing trend

By Alicia Price Newswriting I Student

When enrolling, consider joining the growing percentage of students who are learning through distance education.

OKCCC offers several options besides traditional on-campus courses.

These options are telecourses, online (computer based/Internet) courses, and interactive television courses.

Telecourses are videoand print-based. Students can view programs on Cox Cable, OETA or in the college library.

Online courses allow students to receive lessons and assignments, and submit assignments to campus by using e-mail and a listserv.

Interactive television courses use two-way voice and video to receive or deliver courses from multiple sites within the state. Glenda Prince, distance education coordinator, said OKCCC has the largest telecourse enrollment in the state.

"It's not that students can't attend [on-campus courses]," she said. "They are choosing to take distance courses."

Distance students have all the benefits that oncampus students enjoy.

Distance students have access to the college library and its resources online. They can communicate with their instructors on a regular basis through email.

Distance students communicate with classmates by forming learning communities.

Prince said, depending on the major, students can earn an associate degree solely through distance education.

"It's becoming a hot topic. The technology is better," she said. "It's something we'll be seeing more of."

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> —Glenda Prince OKCCC Distance Education Coordinator

Links2Go! adds Oklahoma State Regents to link website

By Valorie Rodgers Contributing Writer

The Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education's web site, www.okhighered.org, was recently selected to be included as a Links2Go Key Resource.

Located on the Internet at w w w . Links 2 Go. com, Links2Go surveys Internet sites that receive a large number of hits, then adds them on as a link.

The higher education web site was chosen to be listed on the Links2Go site after research revealed that the Oklahoma site was the one of the most linked-to Internet sites within the area of higher education.

What differentiates this Oklahoma-based site from other sites listed in Links2Go is that it is hosted by a state coordinating board of higher education.

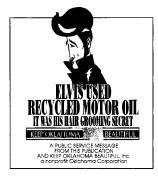
This election to the Links2Go site is a distinction, as less than one page per thousand is chosen as a key source.

The Oklahoma higher education web site contains a slew of information for college admission as well as listings for basic requirements, financial aid and

ne studies.

It also contains future employment opportunities for graduates of their respective degrees listed in Oklahoma, as well as links to other higher education institutions in the state.

If you haven't checked out this site yet, do it now, at www.okhighered.org!



Earn college credit at vo-tech

By Becky Gerred Staff Writer

Earning college credit for vo-tech coursework in orthotics and prosthetics has become a little easier with a cooperative agreement OKCCC has with Francis Tuttle Vocational-Technical Institute.

The OKCCC Board of Re-

gents voted to enter into this co-operative agreement with Francis Tuttle during the May meeting.

OKCCC Vice President of External Affairs Gary Rankin said he feels very positive about this new agreement.

"Any adult student enrolled in Francis Tuttle can now seek an Associate in Applied Science for Orthotics/Prosthetics Technician," Rankin said.

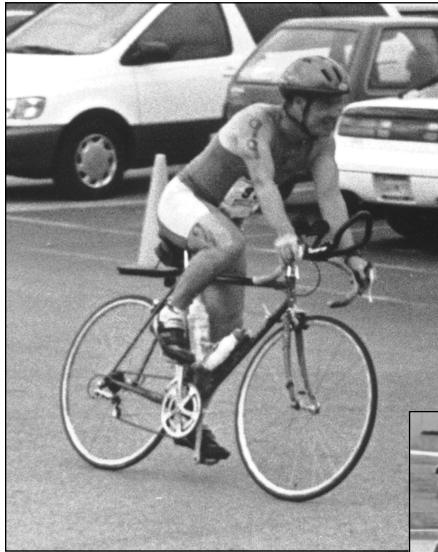
Until now, a student taking the classes for Orthotics/Prosthetics at Francis Tuttle could only earn a certificate of completion for the program.

"Now students can apply these classes they take at Francis Tuttle toward their associate degree in Applied Science for Orthotics/Prosthetics Technician here at OKCCC," said Rankin.

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Triathlon draws participants



Above: Christopher O'Brien, 34, of Moore, bikes toward the finish line at the SuperSprint Triathlon hosted by OKCCC's aquatic center. He placed 41st in Male Overall with a time of 1:12:6.

Below: OKCCC's aquatic center lifeguards volunteered their time to help organize the events at the South Mid-West Regional Championship SuperSprint Triathlon held at OKCCC June 5. By Darcey Ralls Staff Writer

The 1999 South Mid-West Regional Championship SuperSprint Triathlon was held at OKCCC on June 5. One-hundred sixty-seven triathletes competed in a 500-meter swim, 12-mile bike race and 5-kilometer run.

Winners in the male overall category were: first place, Chris Richardson, Denver, Colo.; second place, Carter Johnston, Oklahoma City; and third place, Bernie Hand, Oklahoma City.

Winners in the female overall category were: first place, Lisa Wei-Haas, Tulsa; second place, Amanda Wendelkin, Oklahoma City; third place, Alyssa Lutz, Oklahoma City.

First place winners in other categories included: Terrance Cason,

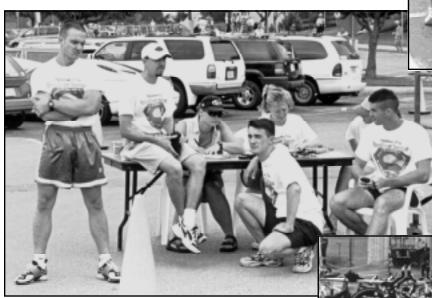
Fat Tire; Tony O'Keeffe, Military; Dustin Simpson, Male 13-15; Chris Sutter, Male 16-19; Chris Zingarelli, Male 20-24; David Dosier, Male 25-29; Chris Hunt, Male 30-34; Tony O'Keefe, Male 35-39; Chris Pearson, Male 40-44; Stephen Rogers, Male 45-49; Bob Ford, Male 50-54; Larry Scott, Male 55-59; Glenn Lumry, Male 60-64; and Oaklan Demoss, Male over 65.

Demoss was the oldest triathlete participating in the event. He is 70 years old.

Other first place winners included: Darcy Simpson, Female 13-15; Adele London, Female 16-19; Sarah Reynolds, Female 20-24; Traci Tarwater, Female 25-29; JoLynn O'Very, Female 30-34; Janet Wilson, Female 35-39; Jennifer Freshour, Female 40-44; Catherine Shrode, Female 45-49; Donna Krutka, Female 50-54; and Geraldine Weber, Female 55-59.



Above: Triathletes discuss their performance and enjoy cold drinks after the race that included a 500-meter swim, 12-mile bike race and 5-kilometer run.



Below: Bicycles were lined up outside of Entry 11, ready for the bike portion of the triathlon June 5 at OKCCC.



Photos by Darcey Ralls

President's honor roll recipients listed

A perfect grade point average earns students top spot

Lawrence Ademiluyi, Molly B. Ahern, Susan E. Albers, Jill J. Alberter, Stephanie L. Alexander, Jamie Aliabadi ,Patricia A. Allen, Elizabeth M. Andre, Regina B. Andrus.

Stephen C. Apel, Brenda G. Asby-Baldwin, Inyang E. Atakpo, Olabisi O. Atoyosoye, Tory F. Aylesbury, Tiana M. Babb, Sheila M. Baker, Kathal N. Bales, Leroy R. Barnett.

Kendra K. Bates, Richard J. Baych, Matthew E. Berkeley, Nacy A. Bettes, Sara J. Bieger, Tamara C. Black, Julia S. Blain, Audra L. Blankenship, Howard D. Boatman, Kevin G. Bobala.

T.J. Bogle, Charlotte G. Bolton, Melanie A. Bone, Teresa S. Borum, Stephanie M. Bovee, Dietra S. Bradsher, Edmond L. Brewer, Barbara M. Brown.

Denise L. Brown, Jason A. Brown, Susan G. Brown, Grady H. Buckhalter, Nhan T. Bui, Lisa Bunnell, Edward N. Buras, Pauletta S. Burdett, Kyna J. Burnett.

John M. Burns, Tommy J. Burns, Christina M. Busch, Lorrie A. Byrum, Richard D. Cain, Carrie K. Calhoun, Amy J. Campbell, Trang H. Cao, Katie D. Cardinal. Teresa J. Carr. Valerie L. Case, Shana A. Castle, Steven J. Cate.

Sharon D. Cayton, Fabio A. Cepeda, Jimmie L. Chambers, Wei-Yau Chang, Fon C. Chi, Jonaka K. Churchwell, Jere Claunch, Kathleen A. Claxton, Jerry W. Cole, Angela R. Coleman. Kristi Κ. Coleman, Aaron B. Collins.

Lizette E. Collins, Mark S. Colvin, Anthony C. Cooper, Robert S. Copeland, Robert D. Cory, Kimberly A. Crawford, Kelly A. Crooks, Michael C. Cross, Brandi S. Culver, Yelena Cutter.

Khoi N. Dang, Taffi L. Davenport, Gerrad D. Davis, Sherah L. Davis, Debra S. Day, Kellie L. Delk, Gregory J. Dennis, Kathy J. Devore.

D. Dietrich, Jeffrey T. Lane, Melissa K. Langley.

Digsby, Trang D. Doan, Cameron Dobie, Jennifer M. Dolph, Brent T. Doster, Lisa M. Echevarria, Gary D. Edgmon, Misty D. Edwards, Fouad M. El-Zeenni, Linda D. Etherton.

Pamela S. Ethier, Jenny L. Fain, Lakita L. Farmer, Tiki J. Fer-guson, Patrick D. Figaro, Nickie Flambures, Jennifer R. Florez, Steph-anie D. Floyd, Barbara J. Fo-ley, Lois O. Frankenberg, Kimberly D. Fredrickson, Travis French, Michael Gangl.

Robin Ge-bauer, Emily M. Geisler, Catina M. George, Orie D. Gerard, Jill S. Geurin, Steffani L. Gitthens, Alejandro J. Gonzalez, Ronny K. Gordon, Denise R. Granko, Amy L. Green, Venita K. Green, Gayle J. Greggs.

Nemuel D. Gutierrez, Ben A. Haizlip, Bret L. Haley, May L. Hamer, Richard G. Hampel, William T. Hancock. Jennifer J. Hardin. Steve P. Hare, Malissia J. Harrison, Cheryl D. Harwell, Eunice F. Harwell, Carey L. Hayes.

Carol R. Henderson, Deborah L. Henderson, Rebecca J. Henderson, Kristen K. Henthorn, Amy L. Hillis, Chandra M. Hodgden, Jessica E. Holbrook, Christopher J. Holmes, Farrokh R. Hormazdi, Erin B. Howard.

Krista R. Howe, Steven C. Howsmon, Shawna L. Hughes, Sidney R. Hulin, Chad M. Hulings, Jill R. Hull, David G. Hullet, See Ming Hung, Kyle A. Hurley.

Chance M. Hutchens, David R. Irvin, Kevin C. Ivory, Antoine E. Jackson, Charity R. Jackson, Stormy G. Jackson, Julie A. Jarvis, Shu-Chuan Jiang, Traci N. Jinkens, Nancy L. Johnson, Linda K. Jones, John D. Justice, Justin W. Kelley, Sara D. Kelley.

Lori H. Kill, Shelly D. Kingsbury, Robert G. Knight, Celeste C. Krebbs, Eric D. Kyrk, Kenneth R. Andrew Dewey, Darlynn Lairson, Han Lam, O.G.

David G. Lawson, Nancy I. Lewis, Richard E. Lewis, Danny F. Lindsey, Peggy A. Lineberger, Donald R. Lizenbee, Gina L. Logan, Angie G. Long, Randal T. Long, Angie U. Lovett.

Niem H. Luu, Phuong T. Luu, Donna M. Mahan,

Pace. Frida Pafvel-sson, Kim A. Park, Leann R. Parr, Angela F. Patterson, James Payne, Cristiana M.. Penn, Carol D. Perry, Daniel L. Perry, Duven K. Pham. Hoa H. Pham, Carl Phill-ips.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

President's

Honor Roll

Grade Point Average

of 4.0 last semester

Faith M. Phill-ips-Sykes, Margie J. Maloy, Jeremy D. Jason T. Pigg, Misty

Martin, Justina M. Martinez. Bindhu Mathews. Cindy K. Matthesen, Kimberly D. Mayfield, Erica L. McArthur, Kelly A. Mc-Bride, Sean B. McCarty.

Patricia K. McClure, Talina M. McCosh. Elda J. McDaniel, Donna M. McNutt, Amy M. McPherson, Aaron A. Mell, Genevieve A. Meyer.

Jennifer L. Miracle, Steve H. Misenheimer, Brian C. Mitchell, Daisy S. Mitchell, Patricia C. Molina, Nikki D. Montfort, Kasie D. Montgomery, Kimberly P. Moore.

Patrick J. Moore, Shannon M. Moore, Ronnie K. Morris, Clay H. Morse, Steve M. Moses, Lynne C. Murphy, Tonya K. Murray, Barbara K. Myers, Nicole M. Myers, Thomas A. Narak, Thomas L. Newbrey, Chau B. Nguyen.

Dan K. Nguyen, Hoa D. Nguyen, Hoang C. Nguyen, Justin T. Nguyen, Ly T. Nguyen, Thang B. Nguyen, Thi X. Nguyen, Vinh T. Nguyen, Bob D. Norton, Kevin A. O'Donnell, Kristi D. Osgood, Cindi C. Overturf, Todd C. Overturff, Richard S. Owens, Ryan S.

Plummer, Todd J. Plunkett, William K. Porter, Mary Powell, Lonnie Prewitt, Jennifer L. Priddy, Kathy Prosser, Stephanie S. Raschtschenia.

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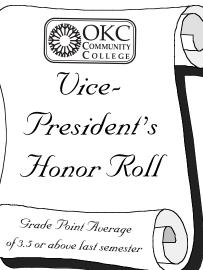
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OKCCC appoints new regent

By Melissa Guice Editor

Helen Camey is a woman who wears many hats.

She is a mother, a wife, a professional computer software consultant and an Oklahoma City resident.

Now, she can add one more title to her name — OKCCC regent.

Camey was recently named to the position after long-time regent Dennis Clowers' term expired in April.

"My name was submitted as a candidate for the Board of Regents some time ago," Camey said.

"I am excited to serve the college and the community in this way."

Camey's own college education started as an adult attending a community college.

She attended Finger Lakes Community College in Canandaigua, N.Y., and earned her associate degree in accounting.

"It's where I got my foundation. It's my calling card."

Camey went on to receive a bachelor's degree with honors from the University of Oklahoma.

Camey has since attended OKCCC for a few non-credit courses including tennis lessons and a basic computer programming course.

Her family, including her husband and her son, have also attended OKCCC.

"My son accrued quite a number of credits at the college and my husband took an accounting course," Camey said.

"It's a family affair." OKCCC President Bob



Photo courtesy OKCCC Public Relations Office

Helen Camey

Todd said it is Camey's commitment to education that makes her such an appreciated regent.

"She will definitely be an effective regent who will help guide our college as we enter the new millennium," Todd said.

"This is an exciting time for [OKCCC] and we're glad she will = share in that excitement."

Camey said she is excited to be part of the OKCCC family and looks forward to the challenges of college affairs.

"I want to be able to determine what we can do for the community college environment and what the community college can do for the community itself."

Camey said she also looks forward to the challenges on the board, itself.

"I want to be able to determine what we can do for the community college environment and what the community college can do for the community itself." —Helen Camey OKCCC Regent

She is now the second woman serving on the current board. Lea Anderson is the other.

"It is a great opportunity. I look at it as a challenge — but an enjoyable one," Camey said.

Camey was appointed to the OKCCC Board of Regents by Gov. Frank Keating.

She attended her first meeting as a regent on May 17.



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Summer bookstore hours

Mondays: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

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8 a.m. to 5 p.m. These hours are in effect until the week of Aug. 9 with the exception of extended hours on holidays

Summer graduation application deadline — June 25

Policy helps students regroup

With barely 16 credit

hours accrued after a year

and a half of school. Hurt

applied and was accepted

to OKCCC in the spring of

Now Hurt has raised his

GPA and attributes this, in

part, to OKCCC's open door

This approach to admis-

sion allows students who

did poorly at other institu-

tions to redeem themselves

For those students the

process usually involves an

admission application, a

letter of explanation and

approval by the dean of

admissions and registrar.

However, Dean of Admis-

sions Gloria Cardenas

Barton said, the policy cov-

ers other students as well.

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By Sara Munn Newswriting 1 Student

Business major Kyle Hurt, 22, has learned his lesson.

A former student of the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Hurt now attends OKCCC after an academic suspension from OU. Academia, Hurt admits, was less important than an active social life.

"My first semester [at OU], I was overwhelmed with the class sizes," said Hurt. "My grades were average.

"Second semester, it went downhill when I got into dorm life."

By his third semester, Hurt said, he joined a fraternity that took up huge amounts of time.

"I would go to class just to take the tests," he said. "I failed them because I never attended class."

Failing to maintain a 2.0 GPA, Hurt was placed on academic suspension and removed from OU's student roster for a minimum of one semester.

"[The open door policy] gives a chance to those without degrees, those who did well and those who did poorly in high school." —Gloria Cardenas-Barton OKCCC Dean of Admissions

> poorly in high school," Barton said.

She emphasized, however, that leniency does not equal a free ride.

Regardless of the policy, there are students who will not be admitted to OKCCC.

Barton recommends that students "re-evaluate what they're doing" if suspended from OKCCC.

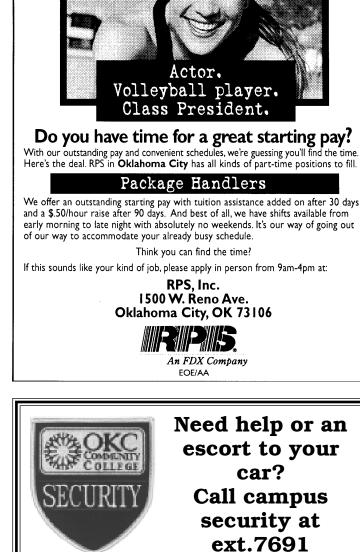
She said this may include a break from academics altogether.

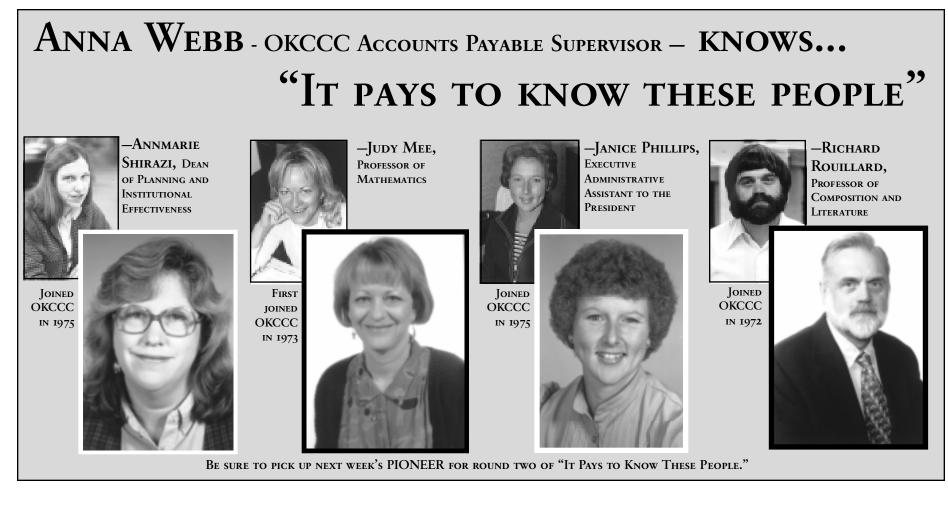
"If a student has been suspended twice from OKCCC, I'd suggest they go somewhere else until they can maintain a 2.0 GPA," Barton said.

Fortunately for Hurt, that wasn't necessary.

At the age of 18, with parties beckoning and large classes looming, he said, OU was overwhelming. "If I could start all over, I

would definitely start here."





Highlights

Summer Blood Drive scheduled for June 30

A summer blood drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 30, in CU3. Each donor will receive a free mini-physical, cookies, pop or juice and a T-shirt. Donors will also receive a written report through the mail showing their cholesterol level within two weeks of their donation. For more information or to volunteer to help with the blood drive contact Mike Jones, Coordinator of Student Activities, at 682-1611 ext. 7318.

Recreation classes offer interest, health

Turn over a new leaf this month with the help of two classes offered by the Office of Recreation and Community Services at OKCCC. A large variety of summer courses are being offered by the department, each designed to enrich, enlighten or entertain. Midwest Belly Dance, which promotes flexibility and weight loss and serves as a captivating pastime, starts June 18. Students also learn about the costuming, history and culture of the Middle East in classes held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Fridays for four weeks. Cost is \$25. Stop Smoking - For Life! Those serious about kicking the habit are encouraged to join this six-week class that meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Mondays beginning June 21. Taught by an advanced respiratory care practitioner, this tobacco intervention program includes on-site clinical testing with an educational course format. An ongoing relapse prevention program follows, providing individual counseling, nicotine replacement therapy and telephone follow-up for up to a year. Cost is \$60. To enroll in either of these courses or to receive a listing of all summer offerings, call the Office of Recreation and Community Services at 682-7560.

Chi-Kung club forming on campus

A Chi-Kung club is forming for students, staff and faculty who wish to learn Chi-Kung. Chi Kung is a 7,000 year-old system that teaches a deep relaxation and energizing exercise. The club will be a part of an international group of clubs. In America today there are chapters on over 200 campuses. In China the government estimates that over 100 million people are doing this exercise. The Chi-Kung club is open to students, staff and faculty of all ages. Anyone who is interested should sign up outside professor V. J. Ramachandran's office, 2R3, in the division of business located in the main building. For more information contact Ramachandran at 682-1611 ext. 7220.

Fall tuition fee waiver applications available

Fall tuition fee waiver applications are available in the student financial aid center located on the first floor of the main building. The deadline to submit applications to the student financial aid center is 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 6. Fall tuition fee waiver awards will be posted in the student financial aid center on Friday, Aug. 20.

Scholarship deadline approaching

The William P. Willis Scholarship is now available in the Prospective Student Services office. Requirements include income of less than \$20,000, Oklahoma residence, and full-time enrollment for the Fall and Spring semesters. The deadline for the William P. Willis Scholarship is June 18. Scholarship applications can be picked up and returned to the Prospective Student Services office on the first floor of the main building. For more information, contact Linda Sapp, Prospective Student Services Assistant, at 682-1611 ext. 7580.



Photo by Darcey Ralls

All in a day's work: Jennifer Lawson works on some important paperwork in the Office of Student Life on the first floor of the main building. Lawson is a workstudy student working as a Graduate Employment Services Aide. Lawson is also an active member of the Student Occupational Therapy Association club.

Campus Activities Board makes plans

By Darcey Ralls Staff Writer

Mike Jones, Campus Activities Board sponsor, said that there are not as many active Campus Activities Board members during the summer semesters. The organization needs additional people to volunteer to help with the blood drive on Wednesday, June 30.

The CAB met June 8 to discuss upcoming events and activities. CAB is made up of students who want to help plan and carry out campus activities.

This organization is responsible for implementing a variety of campus events. CAB hosts the blood drives which are held several times each semester and many other popular events including "Welcome Back Sundaes," Casino Night and the Crazy Olympics. "CAB is a fun and exciting group that gives every student the chance to get involved in the activities at OKCCC," said Jones.

The group's first activity of the summer semester is a blood drive. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, June 30 in college union room 3.

They also discussed an activity called "music video bingo." This event will coincide with Latino Awareness Week and will feature several Latino music videos.

CAB will provide "Welcome Back Sundaes" on August 25 and 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Jones would like to invite any interested student to attend a CAB meeting. He also welcomes any ideas for future activities.

CAB meets every other Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. For more information contact Jones at 682-1611 ext. 7318.

Fun Facts About Blood

What rock group of the '70s sang "Spinning Wheel?" Blood, Sweat & Tears

Blood, Sweat & Tears

How many blood types do cows have?

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What was the nickname of the Queen of England and Ireland who reigned from 1553-1558? Bloody Mary

How many units of blood did President Ronald Reagan require after the assassination attempt? Twelve

What ancient tribe smeared themselves with blood to appease their gods?

The Aztecs

How many blood types do cats have?

Four

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What does your blood type say about your personality?

crave order and neatness. B's are candid, forthright and nonconformist. AB's often have paranormal powers. And O's evidently like to hear, "Yo!'

More than 90 percent of the fans who like "Rocky" films are type O.

According to Toshitaka Nomi and Alexander Besher, authors of "You Are Your Blood Type," personality analysis by blood type is an accepted quasi-science in Japan.

O's, who represent 44 percent of the people in the United States, crave positions of power and leadership, the authors said. They are driven to succeed and act as jealous guardians of hierarchies at work and in the family.

O's make the best presidents, heads of corporations, and captains of sports teams. Ronald Reagan and Queen Elizabeth II are both O's. O's also make the best criminals. Al Capone was an O.

A is the second most common blood type. Due to

People with type A blood the A's meticulous habits, they are best suited for work in libraries, police departments and museums. They are incredibly selfcontrolled.

B's thrive on the unusual. They are poor team players and believe in their own superiority. B's can be absentminded professors.

B's also make great cooks.

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If the Shroud of Turin was really Jesus' burial shroud, then Jesus Christ was an AB. one of the rarest blood types, the authors said. AB's are the most rational, sensible people around. They make excellent first impressions and are perfectly suited to careers in diplomacy. (Reprinted from Fenwal's

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With increase, Oklahoma still has some of lowest tuition

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and fee rates in the nation," Chancellor Hans Brisch said.

Compared to the other 49 states, Oklahoma's tuition and fees rank 41 in the nation at the state's comprehensive universities, 44 at the regional universities and 29 at Oklahoma two-year colleges.

Even with the increase, it is doubtful that Oklahoma's national standing in tuition rates will change because of ongoing tuition increases in other states, Brisch said.

"We believe that we have established the best balance between the need to enhance academic programs and services with students' ability to pay for those programs and services," Brisch said.

Some OKCCC students, on the other hand, don't think the same.

"For the sixth poorest state, it doesn't make sense to start taxing the people who are trying to educate and better themselves," said Brian Maughan, OKCCC student. "The increases serve more as a discouragement instead of an incentive."

Amy McCool, OKCCC student, sympathizes with the Regents but wished the money could have come from another place. For instance, she said, maybe from money being used to fund a government project.

"Other government projects are not worth the funding they receive. I'd like to think schools are worth the money, though."

The Regents held public forums and e-mail question and answer sessions in April for students before the increase.

More information about the increase can be obtained by calling the State Regents' office at 405-524-9180 or on the Regents Web site at www.okhighered.org

OKCCC comprised of diverse student culture

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lation and African Americans composed 4 percent.

Other ethnic backgrounds listed in the 1975 Ethnic Background Headcount were: International, 2.4 percent; American Indian, 2.2 percent; Spanish, 2 percent; and Oriental American, .4 percent.

Eight percent of the student population in 1975 gave no response or marked a category entitled, "other.'

Last fall the OKCCC student population included Caucasian, 69.8 percent,

and African American students, 6.3 percent.

Native Americans and Alaskan natives made up 5.3 percent and Hispanics made up 3.9 percent of students enrolled.

Asian and Pacific Islanders, at 7.8 percent, were the second largest ethnic group last fall. "Other" or no response came in last at 6.9 percent.

Annmarie Shirazi, Dean of Planning and Institutional Effectiveness, said all of OKCCC's ethnic groups are growing.

"We have a lot more of all minorities," she said.

Shirazi has been employed with OKCCC since December of 1975.