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PIONEER

Anatomy students pass halfway mark with confidence

(Editor's note: This is part two of a three-part series about OKCCC's new anatomy lab. This series follows five students who are among the first to enroll in Human Anatomy at OKCCC. Part I appeared in the Sept. 20 issue. Watch for Part III in the Nov. 29 issue.)

By Susan Craig
Newswriting I Student

The first anatomy class to use the new cadaver lab on campus is now past the half-way mark in the semester.

After nine weeks of lab, three exams — called practicals — have been successfully completed. The students have also had three tests from the lecture portion of the class.

"This class is at least as hard as any class I have ever had," said Jess Abel, 27, a premed major.

"I had to adjust to the overflow of information and dealing with the stress of having so much information to remember."

No Rest for the Weary

Each student spends a minimum of eight hours in the lab, then another three to four hours reviewing before taking the tests.

Abel explained the rigorous practicals.

"The day of the exam, the student begins with the first body. Specific body structures are marked with a pin and a number.

"With only a blank piece of paper, the student identifies the physical structures requested as well as answers questions about them. Additionally, the name of the structure must be spelled correctly," he said.

Each student spends a specific period of time at each table and must rotate through all four bodies in the lab.

"It isn't like a multiple choice test where you can make an educated

guess. You really have to know the information," Abel said.

In the Beginning

The students began the lab studying the back muscles, spinal cord and gluteal region. At the end of each rotation, they take the practical over that area or the body.

The second rotation involved the arms, hands, legs and feet. The group just completed the chest area including the heart and lungs.

Michael Fernandes, 19, also a premed student, said he was amazed how difficult the heart is to prepare for study.

"Preparing the heart was very tedious because the fat and other protective tissue had to be carefully removed so the heart structure remained intact," Fernandes said.

Another student in the group, Rosie Digby, 28, is studying occupational therapy.

She said she had a hard time adjusting to working on the human body in the beginning. She said she had nightmares and thought about the lab all the time.

"I probably wouldn't still be in the class if not for the help of Dr. Joe Highfill and Dr. Kent Smith," she said.

"They taught me to leave the lab behind when I go home.

"I just concentrate on what I am learning while I am in the class."

Up Close and Personal

Several of the students are worried about the final rotation of the course. Until now the face has been covered.

During the final rotation the students will study the face and head.

Fernandes said he didn't have trouble adjusting to working on the human body. He took the class to find out if he could do this, and he said, he has discovered he can.



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Study time: OKCCC Student Joshua Corollo relaxes while he studies in the theater lobby. He said it's a quiet place to study.

College computer use rules explained online

By Michaela Marx
Staff Writer

Computer users on campus, do you know the rules?

No sexually explicit messages, images or cartoons are allowed.

It is not acceptable to use the OKCCC network to harass or threaten others.

The college will not tolerate racial, ethnic or gender based slurs spread through the college network.

These are only some of the restrictions OKCCC places on the use of the college network.

Currently there are 5,225 student e-mail accounts and approximately 700 employee accounts provided through OKCCC computer servers, said Barbara Vrana, head of the college's Information Technology Department.

Vrana's department supervises the OKCCC network.

Every user of the college network is required to comply with the college's Network Acceptable Use Policy, which can be read at the college homepage.

According to the acceptable use policy, if a user is found to have

violated this policy the college will take action in accordance with its policies and procedures. This could include, but is not limited to, suspension or revocation of access to network services.

The acceptable use policy was put together by a committee of individuals who reviewed a number of similar policies used by schools and institutions, said Vrana. Then they adapted a policy for OKCCC. The policy was approved by the executive council, Vrana said.

The Acceptable Use Policy has been effective since July 1996.

"I am not sure we have had to enforce it at any time," she said. "We don't go around and peruse computers."

In some cases network users violate the policy accidentally. It is possible that by entering a query in a search engine a web page may appear which contains materials violating the policy. Vrana said incidents of such nature are clearly accidents.

She said, each night, the Information Technology Department backs up daily in- and out-going

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Role-playing can teach kids good values

There has been a sudden abundance of newsletters circulating around Oklahoma from Christian organizations that seem to think Pokemon and other fantasy role-playing games are satanic.

My question is: Why do the churches think these games are so evil and corrupt?

I play any kind of role playing game (RPG) I can get my hands on. Currently, I play Pokemon and I can assure you, I am not satanic.

It perturbs me that the religious organizations feel this way so I would like to clarify some of this nonsense.

In 1976, a game by the name of Dungeons and Dragons was introduced to the world. It was a RPG that was designed for having fun.

Players were to take on the role of a hero and go forth on a quest. Sound satanic? Furthermore, the quest was to slay evil and the demons working for evil. Sound satanic?

In 1997, a game by the name of Pokemon was put on the stands of game suppliers everywhere. It was targeted at the younger generation but caught the attention of gamers of all ages.

The point of the game is to catch wild creatures and tame them to be your friend, helping you become the greatest Pokemon trainer in the world. Along the way to your goal you encounter new people and make new friends. Sound satanic?

There are many other games out there that are either collectible card games (CCG) or RPGs and all of them have one thing in common. They all teach you to be a better person.

The games I have played since I was in the eighth grade have taught me not only how to be more social, but also how to reason better, have better math skills and even learn a little about literature.

These games are not satanic and never will be. They were built on the idea of friendship and a good time.

I'm sure that if you were to look up the definition of satanic and compare it to the definition of friendship, it would not be the same.

When something comes along that is different or that you don't understand, don't immediately bash it without thought.

This goes for all things, not just those mentioned here.

There will always be people who do like whatever it is you are condemning and who will feel offended by what you are saying.

So take the time to educate yourself before jumping on a soapbox. If no one is being hurt, just ignore the situation altogether.

Just don't make it hard for others to have fun.

—**Ryan Johnson**
Staff Writer

Some bunny messed up by exposing Playboy model

To the Editor:

I am writing in regard to the Oct. 18 issue that gave a two-page layout applauding the achievement of a former OKCCC student for being featured in Playboy.

This is, first of all, a college newsletter whose ambition should be to cover and accordingly recognize newsworthy events. Newsworthy.

This article was written in a congratulatory tone, as if this was the intended means to her end, and that this college laid the foundations for her success, and, therefore, exacted a herald for this merit.

You've got to be kidding me!

Plus, let's look at the moral premise of it. If this newsletter, with such issues in the past shouting out their lack of understanding of the need for religious diversity, or acceptance of different forms of sexual orientation, feels that they can slide in an article of this nature and not expect a response in

return, then they are grossly mistaken.

Who are the staff writers writing to anyway?

I notice that the majority of the articles are written at a sixth-grade reading level, with editorials that invoke no intellectual stimulation, [but read] more like excerpts from "Life's Little Instruction book."

And what was with the headline "School Spirit Lives On At PAC 10 College"?

I especially liked how this young lady says No! to dressing up as a "defenseless little bunny so she can hop to a rich old man's every whim."

Glad to see she does have some ethical boundaries that she takes a strong stance on.

The point is, I don't open up the Pioneer to read this kind of story.

I don't care if her hobbies are shopping and that she shared a class with celebrities.

This kind of article can be heading a magazine of an-

other flavor, but should not be hailed in a college newsletter.

—**Valorie Rodgers**
OKCCC Student

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By Leah Rubin



Comments and Reviews

Plans under way for United Way fund-raiser

College-wide campaign will include golf, agency fair, community chest

To the Editor:

Putt for Prosperity is the theme for this year's college-wide United Way Campaign.

Each year thousands of college staff, faculty and students benefit from a United Way agency.

Many benefited from the heroic efforts of the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army during the May 3 tornado and, in the aftermath, with housing assistance, clothing, prescriptions, meals at the site, cleanup kits, household items, and mental health assistance and financial aid. Some are still receiving assistance.

Children may also participate through Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts or Campfire Boys and Girls club. Or they may take swimming lessons through the Red Cross at OKCCC or at the local YMCA.

United Way support ranges from Mental Health to financial counsel-

ing, from transportation to legal aid.

There are so many ways donated dollars benefit hundreds of thousands of citizens in Central Oklahoma.

This year college staff and faculty will have the opportunity to contribute to these organizations by participating in individual department rallies, and also have a little fun and learn about the United Way and the organizations it serves in Central Oklahoma.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, there will be an Agency Fair in the main building.

Twelve or more United Way Agencies will be on hand to answer questions and distribute information.



There will also be a community chest available to take your coins off your hands.

So if you're looking for a way to clean out your purse

or that coin jar everyone keeps at home, bring it to the college and contribute along with students to fill the community chest.

On Oct. 25, there will be a college-wide miniature golf tournament.

Eighteen departments will create a miniature golf hole and provide an educational message about one or more United Way agencies.

College staff and faculty are encouraged to play for fun and may register at the Recreation and Community Service office between Oct. 20 and 25. Pick up your score card and rules and be prepared to have a good time. Teams of two will compete for prizes. A shotgun tour-

namment will occur for up to 36 teams on Monday, Oct. 25 beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the dining area.

For those who can't play in the tournament Monday afternoon, the holes will be available to play through Wednesday, Oct. 27.

You can bring a putter, or use the one provided at each hole.

After 5 p.m. putters can be checked out at the wellness center desk.

The awards ceremony and results will be released along with the college-wide campaign results at 2:30 p.m. Nov. 4 in the dining area.

Some fun surprises will also occur at this ceremony so everyone will want to attend. Have fun, learn about how the United Way can help you and others and please, give to the United Way!

—Chris Moler

Director of Recreation and Community Services

DragonballZ a game for all regardless of experience

This month was important for me. Two of the greatest things that could have happened in cartoons did happen.

I religiously watch DragonballZ (DBZ) on the cartoon network. I have been waiting for the hero, Goku, to turn super saiyan for a few months now. He just turned a few days ago.

The next great thing that happened was even better. I am a role-playing gamer with the best of them and when I heard there was going to be a DragonballZ role playing game (RPG) I immediately picked up the phone and called the game stores.

Needless to say, I got a copy right away.

I took it home and called my friends to let them hear the news. We have not been able to put the book down since. It's an easy game to learn.

You need only a common six-sided dice, a few people and an imagination.

You take on the role of defender of the earth, or even the universe if you choose. Then, designate someone to be the Game Master or judge and he will tell a story that you get to interact in DBZ style.

Then you get to make up a frame for a person that you would like to be and you detail him or her out to your liking. After about 30 minutes of brainstorming and writing, you are done and ready to play.



Super Saiyan Goku of DragonballZ

This game system differs from other role-playing games in that it is based on ease of play and speed, because DragonballZ is a fast-paced world and

only the quick survive.

It is easy enough for a person with no previous gaming experience to pick up and learn to play within 45 minutes of reading.

The next great thing about this

Calling all students

Spare change can make a difference

To the Editor:

Students!

The United Way needs your pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters.

On Wednesday, Oct. 27, there will be a United Way agency fair in the main building.

Come learn about 12 or more agencies that benefit from the United Way.

Students are oftentimes in need of financial counseling, mental health services, help with a family member, or assistance from the loss of their home in a fire or tornado.

There are literally hundreds of ways that students can benefit from a United Way agency. They

just need to know who to ask.

Sixty-two agencies receive vital funding from the United Way and you can donate this Wednesday by filling up the Community Chest.

A United Way table will have an ice chest, and instead of ice and brew, they want to fill it with money. Your money.

So break out those extra coins, empty that wine jug, or just kick a buck.

If every student in this college gave \$1, the United Way would earn more than \$10,000 to help people just like you.

—Chris Moler

Director of Recreation and Community Services

book, is the information it provides about the DBZ world.

It gives a lot of facts about heroes and villains that you might not have known before. It also gives a complete listing of all the characters in the Saiyan Saga part of the show.

The book only costs \$19.40 and

is everything you will need to play the game. The only thing you need to supply is the brain.

So if you're a DBZ nut like me, even if you don't role play, this is a book you should have in your collection.

—Ryan Johnson
Staff Writer

Comments and Reviews



Members of Traindodge, a Norman-based band. Left to right are: Rob Smith (drums), Jason Smith (guitars, vocals), Chris Allen (bass).

Traindodge running on right track with latest CD

Tight changes and mega amounts of wattage make for a great combo.

I'm standing in a room in the back of CD World on Main Street in Norman.

The sound of a few hundred watts of mega distortion weakens my eardrums and I find myself floating off into space along with the sounds.

The band on stage is Norman's own Traindodge.

Following the release of their debut CD "About Tomorrow's Mileage," the band has been touring around the country.

They came home for just a short time in September to take a rest and play a show for a few of their hometown fans.

And when I say few I'm not kidding.

There I was at one of the best shows I'd seen in months, witnessing one of the more powerful performances to be witnessed, and the crowd consisted of fewer than 10 people!

It kind of makes you understand why they went on

the road.

I don't mean to sound like I'm complaining about my hometown, but I am.

As I stated in my last article "Local music offerings excellent" in the Oct. 11 issue, there seems to be a certain lack of awareness about the local music scene.

And it blows my mind how few people show up to some of the best shows ever put on.

Since the conception of the band in 1996 Traindodge's never-give-up attitude and heavy practice schedule shine in their live performance as they glide through a set of complex rhythmic rock songs.

In the more than 10 times I've seen Traindodge perform in the last year, I have yet to see them miss a beat (or at least a noticeable one).

Traindodge's tight changes and hard-edge approach to instrument-based rock comes through well on their CD "About Tomorrow's Mileage."

Textured guitars and thought-provoking lyrics make this an album definitely worth getting your hands on.

For more information about Traindodge, the band's web site can be found on FUZZ located at www.angelfire.com/on/fuzz.

—John Thomas
Local Music Supporter

'Left Behind' paints picture of rapture

Suddenly, millions of people all over the world disappeared.

They vanish, leaving behind every worldly material possession, but the story in "Left Behind" is not about these things.

It is about the people left behind.

Chaos quickly spreads throughout the world. There are many accidents that involve cars, trains, planes, ships and buses.

Suicide spreads rapidly as many people are left hopeless, realizing their

families have disappeared. The world has no clue what has hit them.

Some believe aliens have taken the missing. Others say it is the result of an enemy attack.

The religious crowd says it is the rapture (God taking his children to heaven).

The religious crowd is right.

As you read "Left Behind," you will live in the footsteps of these people left behind.

You will go through the trials and heartaches of the

ies in them."

Kilpatrick said, since no two batteries run at the same rate of speed, the clocks end up at different times.

He said large institutions often have a central control system which operates all the clocks within their building so that they will read the same time.

Those clocks can be set simultaneously.

Unfortunately, he said, due to a lack of funds, OKCCC has manual clocks.

Each clock must be removed from the wall to change batteries and re-set times.

Until the clock system changes, students can only hope the time zone from one floor to the next doesn't vary too much.

And, it helps if professors are understanding too.

Next week, look for more answers to your questions.

—Becky Gerred
Staff Writer

You asked for it...

College has too many time zones

By Becky Gerred
Staff Writer

Many OKCCC students have questions about the campus. Some are serious, some are whimsical.

For the next few weeks, staff writer Becky Gerred will use this space to answer a few of those questions.

OKCCC drama major, Akeem Oseni is time conscious and said he hates being late to class.

"If you go all around the school and look at the time it is all different," Oseni said.

"I set my watch in one class and I'm late to the next class."

Oseni wants to know why the college can't set all of the clocks to read the same time.

Maintenance mechanic Terry Kilpatrick answered the question.

"The OKCCC clocks all have different batter-

people who lost it all.

"Left Behind," written by Tim LaHaye and Terry Jenkins, has soared to the top of the best seller's list, selling millions worldwide.

It has soared into my heart, becoming one of the best books I have ever read.

You will be touched by the dramatic experience of this book.

—Robert Arnold
Guest Writer

Read all about it in
the PIONEER

Halloween party preview

By Cristin Tucker
Newswriting I Student

If trick or treating in the cold or having candy X-rayed before your kids can safely tear into it doesn't sound too appealing, head for OKCCC instead.

The annual Halloween Party on campus is a warm and safe place to take children.

The party is scheduled from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Oct. 30, in the college union.

Trisha Brown, president of Campus Activities Board, said she enjoys knowing she is helping create a safe and fun environment for kids of all ages.

"It's a better situation than going out and trick or treating," she said.

"The party is also a good idea to keep kids and parents out of the weather."

Ten organizations from the college will be providing game booths.

The games range from the basketball toss to button making and a fish pond.

The office of Student Life is sponsoring the party and will host a haunted house for kids 5- to 10-years-old.

The drama club will be performing skits, and the deejay for the evening will hold a costume contest.

Mike Jones, student Life coordinator, said those who have attended parties in the past may find some wel-



Mike Jones
Student Life Coordinator

come changes.

"This year's Halloween party will be different from in the past," Jones said. "There are more little booths for the children to enjoy."

One of those booths will provide a special service this year.

Future Teacher's Organization and Student Oklahoma Education Association (FTO/SOEA) will provide free fingerprinting.

The Oklahoma County Sheriff Office's Explorer post members, under the direction of Bo Bolhuis, reserve deputy sheriff, will do the actual fingerprinting.

Candice Graves, SOEA president, said the booth won't be hard to spot.

"Parents just need to look for a group of aliens and a group of uniformed Explorer scouts gathered together around a spaceship if they are interested in

having their children fingerprinted," she said.

English Professor Mary Punches, SOEA sponsor, said the group is proud to help provide the service.

"Deputy Bolhuis is the father of one of OKCCC's students and participates with his Explorers in several school events," she said.

"We are grateful to them for agreeing to provide this valuable service."

"The Explorers are volunteering their time, skills, and materials."

Admission to the annual Halloween party will be \$3 for the first child and \$1 for each addition child in the party.

Jones said all children need to be accompanied by an adult.



Fun awaits ghouls and boys

Several campus clubs and organizations will have fun booths at the OKCCC annual Halloween party from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Oct. 30 in the college union. They are:

PASS WITH CLASS.....BASKETBALL TOSS
ABILITIES GALORE.....BUTTON MAKING
CHESS CLUB.....WHEEL OF FORTUNE
FTO/SOEA.....FINGERPRINTING
BUCKET TOSS
ROCKETSHIP WITH BEAN BAGS
PHI THETA KAPPA.....FISH POND
HEALTH PROFESSIONALS.....MASH UNIT
HOPE.....SITTING ON BALLOONS
PSI BETA/SOCIOLOGY CLUB.....ADMISSION BOOTH
SCHOLAR'S LEAGUE.....HAUNTED HOUSE
DRAMA CLUB.....GORY MAKE-UP FOR KIDS
SOTA.....SPIDER THROW

Halloween Safety Tips...

With witches, goblins, and super-heroes descending on neighborhoods across America, the American Red Cross offers parents some safety tips to help prepare their children for a safe and enjoyable trick-or-treat holiday. Halloween should be filled with surprise and enjoyment, and following some common sense practices can keep events safer and more fun.

- Walk, slither, and sneak on sidewalks, not in the street.
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for cars, trucks, and low-flying brooms.
- Cross the street only at corners.
- Don't hide, or cross the street, between parked cars.
- Wear light-colored or reflective-type clothing so you are more visible. (And remember to put reflective tape on bikes, skateboards, and brooms, too!)
- Plan your route and share it with your family. If possible, have an adult go with you.
- Carry a flashlight to light your way.
- Keep away from open fires and candles. (Costumes can be extremely flammable.)
- Visit homes that have the porch light on.
- Accept your treats at the door and never go into a stranger's house.
- Use face paint rather than masks or anything that will cover your eyes.
- Be cautious of animals and strangers.
- Have a grown-up inspect your treats before eating. And don't eat candy if the package is already opened. Small, hard pieces of candy are a choking hazard for young children.



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College counselor elected to academic advisement group

By Michael Taylor
Staff Writer

OKCCC Counselor Mary Turner has been elected as secretary of the Oklahoma Academic Advising Association.

The OACADA is the state professional organization in which all counselors are involved. Turner said it is an organization which counselors go to and share information on academic advisement.

She said she has been involved in the association for about five years, about as long as she has worked for the college.

In her position as OACADA secretary, Turner said, she will be expected to attend all meetings, take

notes at those meetings and coordinate the conference that will take place at OKCCC.

Turner's supervisor, Rusty Fox, dean of student development said he is glad Turner is a part of the organization.

"The OACADA sets standards for advising," Fox said.

"We are pleased she is part of that."



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Mary Turner

Russian violinist to appear

By 'Che Lossberg
Newsriting I Student

Since he began playing the violin at the age of six, Alexi Mikhailovich Bruni, has performed in more than 40 countries.

Bruni is professor of violin at the Moscow Conservatory where he earned a doctorate degree.

He is also the co-founder, second conductor and concertmaster of the Russian National Orchestra.

The Russian National Orchestra, founded in 1990, is the first Russian orchestra organized independent of the Soviet government.

Bruni's dear friend and manager Elizabeth Hammons said she met Bruni through a friend while teaching in Russia.

Hammons said, since they receive little support from their government, Bruni and the Russian National Orchestra must support themselves with "six to eight tours a year."

Bruni is a winner of the Paganini and Thibaud international violin competitions.

Hammons said he is a



Alexi Bruni

"dazzling virtuoso."

She said Bruni receives a standing ovation after every song. "His technique and ability is amazing."

A press release explains that as an "Honored Artist of Russia," Bruni is being rewarded with the use of a treasured Amati violin, circa 1632.

At 7 p.m. Nov. 2, Bruni will perform works by Wagner, Prokofiev, Rachmaninov, Borodin, and

Shostakovich in the college theater.

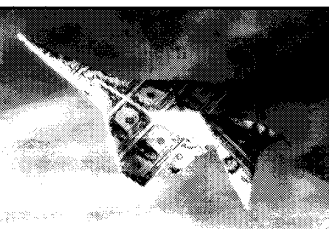
General admission is \$5. Students and seniors are admitted for \$4.

Support for this event has been provided by the Oklahoma Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and OKCCC.

For additional information visit the web page <http://www.okc.cc.ok.us/globaled> or call (405)682-7579.

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Biotech lab first of its kind for 2-year college

Right: Steve Cate and Charlotte Mulvihill in OKCCC's new Biotechnology laboratory. Mulvihill, biotechnology program director, said OKCCC is the only school in the state to offer an Associate in Applied Sciences degree or Certificate of Mastery in biotechnology.



The new biotechnology laboratory is up and running with 10 students currently enrolled in the program.

According to the biotech website, a \$250,000 grant from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education helped equip OKCCC's state-of-the-art biotechnology laboratory.

Additionally, interest for biotechnology in Oklahoma is growing and has broad public and private support.

Charlotte Mulvihill, biotechnology program director, said OKCCC is the only school in the state to offer an Associate in Applied Sciences degree or Certificate of Mastery in biotechnology.

Mulvihill is from Pittsburgh, Penn., where she was a professor at the Community College of Allegheny County.

She received a bachelor's degree in biological sciences from Mount Holyoke College, in South Hadley, Maine, a master's in Microbiology from the University of Washington in Seattle and a doctorate in science education from the University of Pittsburgh before coming to OKCCC to head up the biotech program.

Mulvihill said her students are relaxed and get along well with each other, yet are also quite disciplined.

She said that is because the students spend a minimum of 10 hours a week together in the laboratory.

They learn how to do the preparation work, conduct experiments and clean up after the experiments. Mulvihill said these are duties they will have when they go into private industry.

Former high school science and math teacher Mark Huggins already has a degree in biology but would like to go further.

"I'm in this program because I would like to perform research on human diseases," he said.

He will graduate from the program in August 2000 after successful completion of his internship.

Steve Cate, a student who transferred to OKCCC from the University of Oklahoma when he heard about the program, said the class offers no free rides.

"This is the hardest class I have ever taken," he said.

Cate said he wanted to get into the field of biotechnology because it is a growing field.

There is additional information at the college website at: www.okc.cc.ok.us./biotech.

"I'm in this program because I would like to perform research on human diseases."

—Mark Huggins
OKCCC Biotechnology Student



Left: Matt Gonzales uses equipment in OKCCC's biotech lab.

Biotech students learn how to do prep work, conduct experiments and clean up after the experiments.

Director of the lab Charlotte Mulvihill said these are duties they will have when they go into private industry.



Right: Student Steve Cate transferred to OKCCC from the University of Oklahoma when he heard about the program.

"This is the hardest class I have ever taken," he said.

Cate said he wanted to get into the field of biotechnology because it is a growing field.

**Text by Susan Craig
Photos by Ryan Johnson**

Upward Bound program reaches out to community

**By Michaela Marx
Staff Writer**

The OKCCC Upward Bound program has expanded its services for students and the community.

Upward Bound is a federal student assistance program committed to helping high school students succeed in high school and beyond.

Participating students receive study skills training, ACT preparation, campus tours as well as counseling and assistance for OKCCC admission and enrollment process.

Currently 60 students from seven high schools profit from this program.

Margo DeLaune, Director of the OKCCC Upward Bound office, said the two

newly-added components of this program are a community service project that benefits citizens from the Oklahoma City area and an English as a second language program designed to help students who may struggle with their English skills.

DeLaune said in order to succeed in school it is necessary for foreign students, and also for some American students, to improve their English reading and writing skills.

She said Upward Bound plans to offer English as a Second Language workshops at the OKCCC campus in the months of November, December, January, February and April.

English as a Second Language instructor Christine Bollerud Ganjvar will teach these workshops.

DeLaune said the students will improve their English skills by composing essays and completing other activities of this nature. She said she also plans to bring in speakers.

Since many foreign students are Asian, DeLaune said, she will try to bring in Asian professionals who will share their experiences with the students.

A Pen Pal program is also planned, DeLaune said. Students will improve English skills by corresponding with an English-speaking pen pal.

"We are especially looking for teachers to be pen pals," she said.

The second new component — the community service program — is still in the planning stages but is expected to start in January on Martin Luther King

"We are especially looking for teachers to be pen pals."

—Margo DeLaune

OKCCC Upward Bound Director

Day, DeLaune said.

This year, she said, seniors from the schools Upward Bound need to complete community service projects.

So, during the college blood drives, the Upward Bound students will join in to organize bone marrow donation drives.

So far two meetings with the student councils of the participating schools have been held and committees have been formed. There will be a community service meeting in November to prepare the students for the bone marrow drives. Representatives of the Na-

tive American Marrow Recruitment Project and the Oklahoma Blood Institute will be in attendance at the meeting to explain the process to the students.

DeLaune said a project like this has not been attempted before. She said there is a large need for bone marrow because so many cancer patients' lives rely on bone marrow donations. Also, she said, the marrow of minorities is very rare.

For additional information about the program or upcoming events contact the Upward Bound office at 682-1611, ext. 7373.

OKCCC theater students major in success

**By Becky Gerred
Staff Writer**

Thinking about the different people who sit around on bus stop benches can conjure up many tales for a playwright to work with.

This is what OKCCC theater major Jeremie Cook observed eight months ago while living in Florida.

"I was sitting at a bus stop one day and I met a fellow whose conversation with others was reminiscent of an angel talking to someone at a bus stop," Cook said.

His imagination was pricked. After arriving home he began writing but 20 pages he was not too sure where to go from there so it sat on the back burner for a few months until he came to Oklahoma City.

Shortly after arriving in Oklahoma City Cook met OKCCC theater major Angelo Gambino.

"Cook had this play idea so I went over to his house and I read it and I liked it,"

Gambino said.

"I started writing a little bit on it and gradually we finished act one but we had no idea where we were going with act two."

Gambino said Cook came to his house next and they invited a friend to take notes as they brainstormed on the rest of the play.

They paced back and forth throwing out ideas until they finished the play.

The script and title were in place. They called it "Bus Stop Benches."

Pride and excitement shone on the writers faces as they talked about the play.

The premise of the play is the bus stop: It will take you either to heaven or hell. It deals with issues that come up at the crossroads of people's lives everyday, Gambino said.

"Bus Stop Benches" is a combination of high drama and comedy," he said.



Photo by Becky Gerred

Angelo Gambino and Jeremie Cook

The play will be performed at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10 and 11, in the OKCCC theater.

Ticket price is just \$3. And, by bringing a canned nonperishable food item, jacket, blanket or toy, you will receive \$1 off the price of your ticket.

All of the donated items will go to the Make a Wish Foundation and other organizations that help less fortunate people.

"The proceeds from the play will go to the Drama Club for play productions and funding for costumes, sets and technical advisers," Gambino said.

He said the Drama Club

also funds extra trips, activities and competitions the group takes part in.

The Drama Club has formed into a production group called Coffee House Players. Their goal is to use their skills and talents towards a positive future.

"Coffee House Players Production is our acting troupe company," Cook said.

"We are working right now on getting grants hopefully to get some financial backers from the government, the city, as well as personal investors who like our ideas and concepts of opening a theater in Bricktown," Gambino said.

"There is no live acting theater in Bricktown. We want to bring more culture to Oklahoma."

Gambino admits the players have more work ahead of them.

"We are a closed rose right now and we want to bloom out and put Oklahoma on the map as far as culture goes."

"Many people still think Oklahomans live in teepees and ride horses," Gambino said.

Cook and Gambino are adamant that people take advantage of the clubs available on campus.

"We want people to sit up and take notice of the Drama Club."

"If you are a theater major then you should be involved in the Drama Club instead of going through college everyday, then leaving and not really getting your full benefit of college," Gambino said.

"You need to join a club, especially if it is within your major."

"I want to grow. Right now we have about 20 people. By next semester we want to have about 50."

"Being majors we have access to using the theater, we clean it and take care of it and that's what we pay for, using the theater," Gambino said.

The Drama Club plans to have weekly acting workshops in the future for students and the community to learn and observe.

Academy makes wise choice

English professor chosen as member of Outstanding Professor Academy

By Katherine Etherton
Newswriting I Student

OKCCC professor of English Bertha Wise has been chosen as a member of the Outstanding Professors' Academy for 1999-2000.

Wise is the only professor from OKCCC to be selected for the academy, centered at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond.

This is the academy's first year in operation. It is designed to recognize excellence in college classroom instruction and provide experience with professional development.

The selection process started with an announcement to the faculty of the position and then the professor filled out an application and sent it in.

The president or dean of the applicant's college provided a nomination.

Dr. Bob Todd, president of OKCCC, nominated Wise for the award.

"I think Bertha has demonstrated leadership among the faculty," he said.

"I thought she could benefit from the program. She focuses on success and she is a 'can do' kind of person.

"...Bertha has exceptional potential and skills in leadership," Todd said.

According to the program coordinator Susanne Betz, the professors were selected by members of the Outstanding Teachers/Professors Academy based on the application and past recognition of excellence in the teaching profession.

Wise and the members of the academy see many advantages for this organization.

"Some of the people involved in organizing the academy saw a potential in having a faculty group to share the experiences and concerns that we have in education," Wise said.

"We share different per-



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Bertha Wise

"...Bertha has exceptional potential and skills in leadership."

—Dr. Bob Todd
OKCCC President

spectives because there are individuals there from the universities as well as two-year colleges."

"There are representatives from all over the state."

Betz said there were 30 applicants with room for 25 but they took one extra making the total 26 members.

"We like to keep the group small," Betz said.

The academy's members will meet four times, for two day sessions, through the course of the year and discuss a book that the professors read ahead of time.

"For the first assigned reading, we had to read a book entitled 'The Courage to Teach' by Parker Palmer," Wise said.

"We talked about various aspects of the book and how it challenged ideas that

we had about teaching and learning.

"We talked about how a teacher develops as an individual as well as a teacher and always renews themselves and tries to become a better teacher and at the same time a learner.

"I learn as much as my students do and I learn more because I learn from them," Wise said.

Wise has been teaching since 1985 at various institutions.

She is the department chair for English and Humanities as well as the chair for the faculty development committee. She won the NISOD Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1996.

Currently, Wise teaches Introduction to Philosophy and Modern Humanities. She is also developing an



CAMPUS CRIME

Equipment stolen, thieves gain entry through ceiling

By Ben Everett
Newswriting I Student

More than \$6,000 in OKCCC electronic and computer equipment was stolen from behind a locked door the weekend of Oct. 2 and 3 after access was gained through the ceiling of an adjoining room.

An incident report filed Oct 4 by OKCCC campus security states that employees of the campus technical support division discovered the missing items over a period beginning Oct. 4 and going through Oct. 11.

Supplemental reports were added to the original report after Oct. 4.

The report states when OKCCC Technical Support Supervisor Dave Anderson returned to work Monday, Oct. 4, he discovered room 2N8 in the main building had been broken into.

A Motorola Micro Tac II cell phone worth \$150, a super disk drive worth \$99 and five 128-megabyte DIMM chips worth a total of \$500 were discovered missing.

Two days later, on Oct.

6, two 9-gigabyte hard drives worth a total of \$300 were also discovered missing.

The last report was made on Oct 11 when Tamara Antisdell reported an IBM Thinkpad Lap Top Computer, worth \$4,974.20 had also been stolen.

Anderson and Antisdell said all of the items were in the room when they left work for the weekend Oct. 1.

Keith Bourque, head of campus safety and security said the thief or thieves got into the room through the ceiling.

"It appeared that the people involved removed the ceiling tiles from room 2M8 and used a desk and the assistance of the bumper guards on the wall to climb over the wall into room 2N8."

Bourque said there are no leads at this time but said a surveillance camera was installed on the afternoon the report was filed.

"This will give us an extra eye on classrooms in that part of the building," Bourque said.

Anderson and Antisdell were not available for comment.

online course for Introduction to Literature to be offered in the spring.

In her spare time, Wise writes poetry, collects turtles, and spends time on the Internet.

"I have friends I chat with from all over the world and I am participating in a web board, answering questions from students learning English as a sec-

ond language," Wise said.

Wise has received her bachelor's degree English education and her master's degree from UCO.

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Highlights

Family Halloween Party

Fun, games, prizes and music for the whole family are being planned to celebrate Halloween. Family Halloween Party will be from 6:30 to 9 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29, in the college union. The cost will be \$3 for first child and \$1 for each additional child from the same family. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Let's make a deal

Campus Activities Board is hosting the Real Deal Crazy Game Show at 12:30, Tuesday, Oct. 26, in the college union. Students that are there on time will receive a ticket for the drawing to determine the contestants who will make the deals. \$400 worth of prizes, surprises and money will be awarded. The price is right: it's free to all.

Student Occupational Therapy Association meeting

Student Occupational Therapy Association meeting will be held at noon, Wednesday, Oct. 27, in room 1H1 in the Health Technology Center.

'Bus Stop Benches' World Premier

The Drama Club is presenting a Coffee House Player Production titled "Bus Stop Benches" written by Jeremie Cook and Angelo Gambino. The World Premier will be held at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10 and 11 in the OKCCC theater. All tickets are \$3. It would be best to buy your tickets in advance. Bring a can of food to the play and receive \$1 off the price of admission. Food will be donated to the less fortunate.

Come to the feast

Hispanic Organization to Promote Education will be selling nachos and burritos from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 28, in the Student Union.

Here's your chance to have your work published

OKCCC's Absolute is looking for donations of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, black-and-white photography and drawings by Dec. 1. The Absolute is published in April by the Arts and Humanities Division. Pick up submission guidelines and release forms at the Arts and Humanities office located on the first floor of the Arts and Humanities building. For more information call Clay Randolph at 682-1611, ext. 7238 or e-mail him at crandolph@okc.cc.ok.us. Web site for the Absolute is www.okc.cc.ok.us/ah/absolute

Spring Tuition Fee Waiver applications are available

Spring Tuition Fee Waiver applications will be available Monday, Oct. 18, in the Student Financial Aid Center. Deadline to return applications is 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 19. No applications will be accepted after this time. The Student Financial Aid Center will post the Academic Tuition Fee Waiver awards on Dec. 13.

Weekend class for insurance professionals

People needing help passing the licensing exam for life and health insurance can find help at a weekend course offered by OKCCC. Class will meet from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 29; from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Oct 30 and Nov. 6; and from 1 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 31 and Nov. 7. Cost is \$136.80 plus materials. For more information or to enroll call 682-7550.



Photo by Ryan Johnson

Talking about the next club meeting: (l to r) Sarah Gardner and Dustin Johnson discuss the upcoming meeting of the Baptist Collegiate Ministries which meets every Thursday at noon in room 3N0 in the main building. Food, music and fellowship are planned for all who attend.

Clubs can look to new leadership for assistance

**By Chris Malcom
Newswriting I Student**

Fresh beginnings and new ideas are what is in store for the office of Student Life.

Marion Paden, vice president for Student Services, announced in a memorandum sent to the Executive Council: Staci McPhearson will assume responsibilities as Director of Student Life and Mary Johnson will become the Director of Student Relations.

This comes after Johnson served as interim Director of Student Life.

McPhearson served as

interim Associate of Student Life, after Dean Diana Boyd McElroy left in July.

As Director of Student Relations, Johnson's job will encompass handling the student grievance system, student judicial affairs, and protecting the rights, health and safety of students, faculty and staff. She also will assist the vice president in the research and evaluation of the student services program.

"I am pleased to have the opportunity to serve the college as director of student relations," Johnson said.

"I hope that I can provide

assistance to students as they strive to achieve their educational goals."

As director of Student Life, McPhearson will head the overall operation of the office of Student Life. She will supervise student organizations as well as services and programs in the area of graduate employment services.

"I am excited about the opportunity that has been extended to me," McPhearson said.

"The office of Student Life plays an important role in the development of skills and in providing experiences that are helpful along the way."

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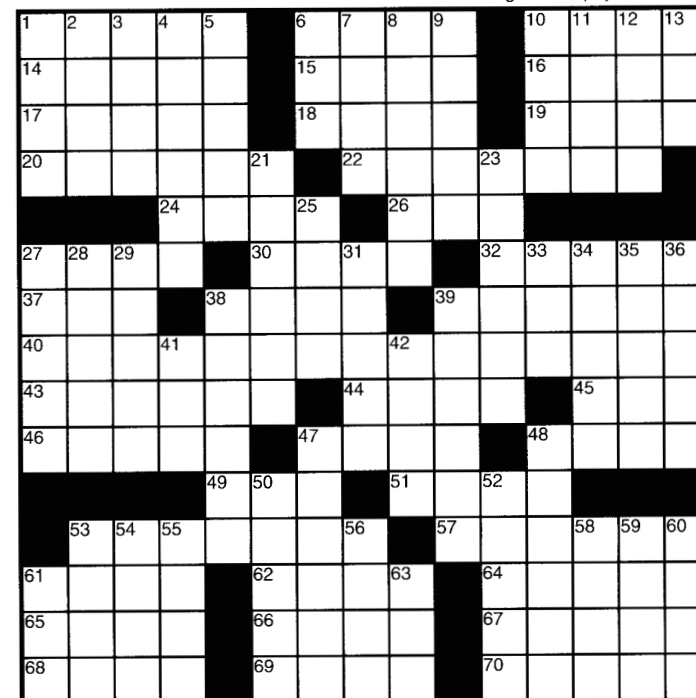
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Students adjusting to cadaver lab study

"Cadaver,"
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"I am a little worried about working on the eyes because I have heard the saying that the eyes are the windows to the soul," he said.

Fernandes said the body he is working on died of lung cancer.

"I was surprised at what cancer looked like," he said.

"I had always imagined that the cancer would be in the form of wounds or lesions. Instead, the cancer is hard nodules all over the chest and lungs."

Physical therapy major Susan Hunt, 24, said each student is assigned to one body. However, she said, they rotate around all four so they can learn more.

"I was surprised that all four bodies had emphysema or signs of emphy-

sema," she said.

She said emphysema looks like blisters on the lungs.

The students are not given a medical history on the cadavers so they aren't sure whether the person had smoked or lived with smokers.

Learning to Adjust

Hunt said at first she had to talk about the lab all the time. She said she feels talking to her family and friends contributed to her adjustment in the program.

"I no longer think of the body as someone's grandmother, but as a vessel that I can learn from," she said.

Hunt is a senior at the University in Oklahoma.

She said she came to OKCCC to take her pre-requisites for the physical therapy program.

The classes are smaller at OKCCC than at OU.

Here, she said, there are

four bodies and only three or four students per body. At OU, there are 10 students per body and only 10 bodies. She said OKCCC students get more actual hands-on experience.

"The teachers are always available when I have a question," Hunt said. "They always return my calls or e-mails."

Abel said he didn't have a problem adjusting to working on the human body.

"The lab isn't anything like I expected," he said. "I was amazed by the realization that this body isn't the two-dimensional picture I was used to seeing."

"I feel like I am exploring every time I go into the lab. Each body is different and the structures are in a little different area. Each day in the lab has a new goal which keeps you focused."

"The teachers are super nice which really helps."



Photo courtesy of OKCCC Public Relations

OKCCC Cadaver lab students. Back left, Susan Hunt; back right, Jess Able; center, Rosie Digby; front left, Michael Fernandez; and Jamie Winters.

In their human anatomy class, The students work on four human cadavers.

Campus computer rules enforced

"Rules,"
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e-mail messages. The back-up tapes are kept for approximately one week, Vrana said, then the tapes will be deleted and reused.

E-mails are not screened

by the Information Technology Department for content.

Administrators can not access any part of the user's e-mail because it is encrypted, said Vrana.

Therefore, the back-up cannot be used to detect violations of the policy.

It is possible that if there

is serious suspicion derived from evidence found through other means, an investigation may be initiated.

Vrana said in order to initiate a investigation a violation needs to appear to be obviously "something that is just not right," and not accidental.

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Financial aid dean says money is there for students

Many don't realize they might qualify for financial assistance

By Bruce Yang
Newswriting I Student

Short of funds for tuition? Financial Aid may be the answer.

OKCCC Dean of Financial Aid Harold Case said students who qualify can receive money for books, supplies and tuition.

He said students should stop by the financial aid office just inside the main entrance and fill out paperwork to see if they can receive assistance.

"There is no need for appointments," Case said.

"Just walk in and take a number, and an information clerk can assist you as your number is called."

To get the process going, Case said, students should pick up a Free Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application before entering the Financial Aid Center.

After reading and filling out the information on the FAFSA, the student will mail it to a government

agency to determine eligibility.

Then, he said, the information will be processed and a Student Aid Report (SAR) sent back to the applicant.

After the student reads over the information, making certain everything is correct, the SAR should be brought to the office of financial aid, Case said.

Although several colleges file electronically, OKCCC requires the student to physically bring in the form.

In the event additional documentation is required by OKCCC, Case said, the student would be notified by mail. He said

all cases are different depending on a person's financial background.

Case also suggests applying early.

"That way it does not cause the bottleneck effect, which is when too much information needs to be processed and a lot of papers examined [in a short period of time]," Case said.



Harold Case

Photo by Ryan Johnson