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Soccer tryouts planned

By Mark Stack
Staff Writer

Heads up! The OKCCC soccer team will be holding tryouts this week for next year's team.

Tryouts will be held from 4:30 to 6 p.m. for three days next week beginning Feb. 6 and ending Feb. 8.

Soccer coach Kelly Solis said players will need to bring shorts, T-shirts, shin guards, and cleats.

She said to bring a soccer ball if possible. For those who do not have a ball, one will be provided.

Tryouts are open to students enrolled at the college. Only 25 roster spots will be available.

Solis said the tryouts will consist of several drills. Participants will be timed to see how fast they are and how much they can endure.

The team is looking to rebuild from last year's season after going 1-5.

Solis said she hopes to build on last year's team while adding some new players to the mix.

Solis will be taking over the team after former coach Terry Kilpatrick left to pursue a personal business.

Contact Solis at 682-1611, ext. 7786 with questions regarding the tryouts or the soccer team.



Photo by Melissa DePew

Life Celebration: Winter Tales performer Al Bostic plays the djembe while multimedia major Adam Benson learns to play the shekere. Bostic uses music to liven up his African-American storytelling as he kicks off Black History month at OKCCC. For more on upcoming college events for Black History month, turn to page 4.

Marker wear latest campus fashion craze

By Mark Stack
Staff Writer

Born out of absurdity and mixed with a touch of creativity and humor, a new line of fashion called MarkerWear has been designed by Professor Martha George.

Most faculty members will concede that it is fairly difficult to find a marker for the dry erase boards in the classrooms.

George said, when by chance they do find one, it is usually dry and empty.

This is one reason professors have been advised to carry their own markers to class.

Knowing she would never remember to bring her own markers, George figured out a way to stay close to her markers — wear them.

"Little bit of Velcro, little bit of glued elastic and a wicked sense

of humor, and you have MarkerWear," George said.

George has created several designs for MarkerWear. She began with an ankle garter, which holds one marker, designed for the ladies. She then created several hats for her new line. A baseball cap and a fisherman's hat were both turned into MarkerWear.

Other items are two gun holsters each carrying two markers, along with a sequined pouch for the ladies to attach to their belts.

Although George doesn't intend to produce her MarkerWear for sale, she welcomes custom orders.

She plans to sell some items at the annual Make It, Bake It, or Sell It fund-raiser, with the proceeds going to help raise funds for student scholarships.

If MarkerWear has you intrigued, and you feel like having the latest in OKCCC fashion, contact Martha George and be the first on your block with MarkerWear.

Oil spill changes island scenery after prof's visit

By Vu Vu
Editor

When biology Professor Charlotte Mulvihill and her husband went to the Galapagos for a week over winter break, she saw the ancient archipelago in nearly the same light Charles Darwin saw it over a century ago.

"It's in the same state as when Darwin visited it," Mulvihill said. "It was brown and dry, and not very inviting



Charlotte Mulvihill

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Photo by Melissa DePew

Psychology Professor Martha George proudly models her new line of college clothing, MarkerWear. She said the clothing will be helpful in reminding professors to carry markers with them for class use. Hats, vests and more are available.

Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Be true to your school

Small classroom sizes, an active student life program, convenient parking and great athletic facilities greet all students.

New technology and renovations will entice and unify new students and faculty to the college.

At the request of a professor, here is an editorial written on Oct. 18, 1999 by former PIONEER staff member Danielle Keel. Enjoy.

College is most typically not what most people expected it to be or dreamed it might be. And, in my case, college was really not what I expected.

Why? Because I never expected to be at a community college.

I was in honors classes beginning in elementary school all the way through high school. I have a high I.Q. score.

These and many other things made me want to attend an out-of-state university because I knew it would be possible that I might be accepted to the University of Missouri at Columbia to study journalism or the University of Oklahoma if I chose to remain in the state.

So, not only did I never expect to attend a community college, I definitely never expected to like it. But I do like it, very much so, in fact.

You see, I always had the notion that people who went to community college were "dumb" or didn't get accepted to four-year universities.

I always thought of the classes and teachers at community college as not being on my level. My idea was that community college was a kind of "baby college." I no longer feel that way.

Since the fall semester has started, I have noticed OKCCC parking stickers on almost every car on the highway. I realized then that I'm not the only one who goes here.

I have also realized the classes at OKCCC are every bit as challenging as university classes. It's the teachers who make them so.

And as I begin writing for the Pioneer about some of the programs here, I came to realize that OKCCC has a great curriculum.

Even students here are not what I expected. Serious people of all ages, who actually want to learn, attend this college.

What a concept! Especially for someone coming here straight from high school.

All my fears about community college have been proved wrong beyond a shadow of a doubt.

I even realize now that my biggest problem with OKCCC—the parking—is unfounded. The parking is so much better than any other major university that I've ever been to.

So, when you see an OKCCC parking sticker on the back window of a car, know this much—I'm proud to have mine.

You should be too.

—Danielle Keel
Staff Writer, 1999

Keating declares cookies on Student Appreciation Day

To the Editor:

Governor Frank Keating has declared the week of Feb. 5 through 9 as Financial Aid Awareness Week in Oklahoma. This year the Student Financial Aid Center will hold its annual Student Appreciation Day on Wednesday, Feb. 7, as part of Financial Aid Awareness Week.

Students may stop by the Student Financial Aid Center during the day, grab a free cookie and ask any questions you may have concerning student financial assistance.

Students are reminded that they can still apply for current year assistance

and should apply now for the next academic year. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available from the Student Financial Aid Center for either year.

The Federal Student Guide to Financial Aid is also available and will help students understand the many federal programs of student assistance.

The Bank of Oklahoma operates a year-round hotline during normal weekday business hours to enable students and parents to seek help with financial aid and admissions questions.

As a lead-in to Financial

Aid Awareness Week special hours are available on Saturday, Feb. 3, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 1-800-204-4636.

—Harold Case
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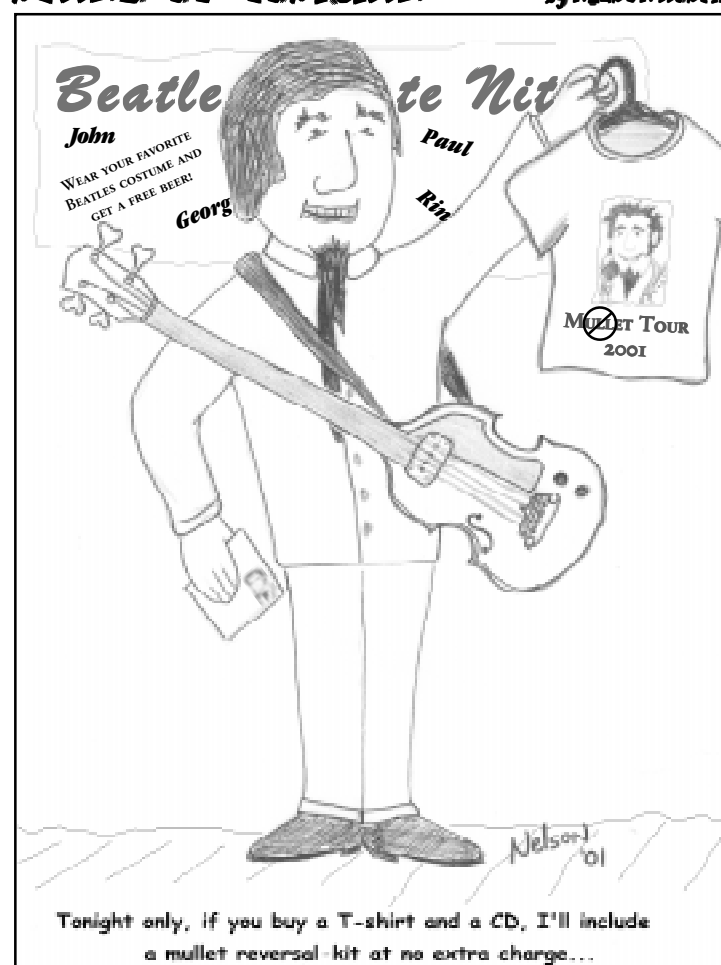
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STAND-UP MUSICIAN

by NELSON AUSTIN



Comments and Reviews

Firearms protect lives, laws restrict access

To the editor:

I was raised with loaded guns. My dad was one of those people that "enjoyed killing innocent animals." Quail, pheasant and rabbit hunting were enjoyed by my father and me.

Dad always felt that "unloaded guns" were what killed children, so our guns were always loaded.

I have raised six children and a few extra, with loaded guns in my home; not just loaded but a round in the chamber. Guns have been kept in my bedroom but never locked up. In addition to endless hours of instruction (and threats), each of my children has been through one or more gun safety courses.

From the time they started walking, I have spent countless hours stressing the dangers and proper use of guns. I hope that no one ever accidentally injures someone with a firearm, just as I hope that no one accidentally injures someone with a vehicle.

If you really want to save lives, don't let teenagers drive until they are 21 (look at the statistics), put every drunk driver in prison a mandatory 10 years for the second offense.

Two-thirds of all violent crime is committed by 7 percent of the hardcore element. Every state that has had an increase in gun ownership or has instituted concealed carry laws has had a decrease in violent crime.

In a 1990 study by criminologists Marvin Wolfgang and Robert Figlio...of all guns, 99.8 percent are used legally.

Of the 0.02 percent of guns that are used for criminal activity, 93 percent are obtained illegally.

National studies show that citizens stop far more crime with their firearms than is committed by criminals with firearms.

In 83 percent of the cases in which a victim had a handgun, the criminal surrenders or flees.

How does this directly

apply in cases we read about in the news? Remember the cry to ban "assault rifles," after Patrick Purdy killed five children at a school yard in Stockton, Calif.? How much more proof did we need about the innate evil of guns?

Let me ask you a question: do you really think that the rich, the powerful, the famous, the sophisticated, the important... will be without protection if stringent gun control is passed?

Are you aware that gun regulations, permits, fees and qualifications have frequently been used to deny guns to blacks, women, homosexuals, and anyone or any group that the "authorities" deem unfit?

Lastly, picture two paint sniffers breaking into your home in the middle of the night, as they did mine in 1992, while your children sleep in other rooms.

Now go ahead, tell me how valuable gunlocks are?

—**Jack Werner**
Adjunct Professor

Band performs from roots

A band not competing for the spotlight has gained it through honest songwriting and relentless touring.

The group At The Drive In's latest album, "Relationship of Command," is a diamond in the major label recording industry rough.

This quintet (Cedric on vocals, Omar and Jim on guitar, Paul on bass and Tony on drums) from one of the poorest cities in the nation, El Paso, Texas, is rich with energy, originality and heart. They offer a new brand of rock 'n' roll with a do-it-yourself punk feel.

Hailed by some as the band to watch in 2001, they have shown all they have come in contact with

their emotion and love for what they do. Through their songwriting and live shows, ATDI will lay everything out on the table for anyone to take as they please. They hold nothing back.

As ethnically diverse as any band could possibly be (Lebanon, United States, Puerto Rico), they have no political agenda and take no social stance. Their lyrics are intricate and involved, weaving masterfully a web of expression and insight on their own issues.

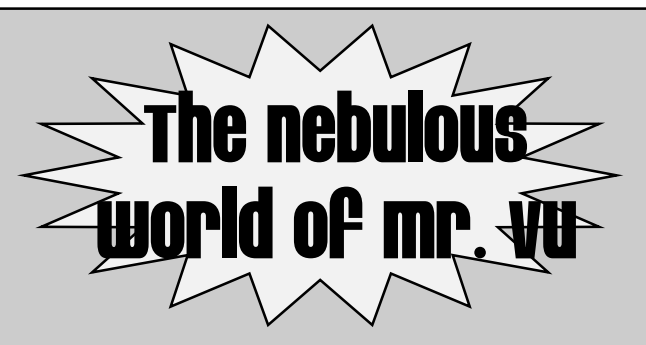
Songs like "Sleepwalk Capsule" will fiercely intimidate the listener while others, like "Invalid Letter Dept." beautifully invite the listener back (both

tracks by the way are back to back on the album). "One Armed Scissor" is the first single off "Relationship of Command" and its video is getting heavy rotation on MTV.

Having a video on MTV and opening shows for Rage Against The Machine have caused some critics to brand them as "sellouts." But that sort of labeling couldn't be further from the truth. They have stayed true to their roots with bands like Bluetip, AFI, Good Riddance and The Get Up Kids.

"Relationship of Command" by At The Drive In is what I call a "fanmaker album."

—**Jason Lomas**
Staff Writer



Vu contemplates life on the wing

I've never flown on an airplane before. I've always been too scared.

Man was not constructed to rule the skies, they said. I believed it.

But there was one time when I wasn't afraid to fly. It was the summer after the fourth grade. It was a hot and humid summer that year.

My mom asked us if we wanted to go to California to visit our aunt and uncle.

Out west... I've always wanted to venture out west. Imagine the mind of a 10-year-old when thinking about Disneyland, the Pacific Ocean, giant redwoods and sequoias. I imagined myself walking around General Sherman with an egg roll in one hand and a box of apple juice in the other.

The great Pacific...

We drove to Texas a few years earlier and I got a chance to see the Gulf of Mexico. It was late, so we didn't get to swim. But ever since, I long to smell the fragrance of the sea.

And earthquakes...

I was looking forward to the ground moving beneath me bloody feet. Arrrgh. (Sorry everybody, every now and then, the pirate in me comes out.)

I was looking forward to seeing the Grand Canyon, but since we were flying, I would have to wait for a later date.

But then our grandfather became sick. Later in the summer, he died. It was my first and only experience with death, so far.

After that, I've never thought about flying again, even though I've had chances.

I don't want to fly, but if I want to be a sports journalist, I will have to. John Madden doesn't fly, but he has a week to get to where he's going. That John Madden has his own bus and his own video game. Sweetness. Pure sweetness.

Journalism isn't the highest-paying job. I guess that means I won't be flying first class very often.

Next year, my family plans on going back to Vietnam. My grandma won't be going because it would be too expensive. She'd like to go and she can afford the trip, but she'd have to give gifts to our relatives. She wants to help them, but can't afford to help them all.

But I will go, and with my skills learned in photography class, I will bring her home to her.

I'm not afraid of flying anymore.

—**Vu Vu**
Editor

'Winter Tales' first of many OKCCC Black History events

By Melissa DePew
Staff Writer

OKCCC has several events planned in lieu of Black History Month.

The college began its celebration a day early with the African American storyteller Al Bostic kicking off Winter Tales in the theater Jan. 31.

"Winter Tales is a storytelling festival in which storytellers from around the nation hand down heritage through storytelling," said Mike Jones, Student Life coordinator.

On this campus, Winter Tales is also a class taught by Professor Richard Rouillard.

Every year just before the Winter Tales festival, a storyteller is selected from among those that will teach or perform at the festival, and invited to perform at OKCCC for both the community and the Winter Tales class.

"This year, Al Bostic was chosen because of his African American storytelling," Jones

said. "We thought he would be good to kick off Black History Month."

Bostic was sponsored by the Campus Activities Board (CAB) and the African American Student Association (AASA), which has several other events planned to celebrate this month.

The band, Osadolos will be entertaining students with Reggae music at 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 6 in the College Union.

Also, "The Hurricane," starring Denzel Washington, will be showing at noon and 6:30, Feb. 9 in the OKCCC theater.

Dana Stevenson, sponsor for the AASA, said this is a good opportunity for African Americans to reflect on where they have been.

"It's also an opportunity for others to become aware of things African Americans have done, what they wear, things they eat and the

kind of music they like," said Stevenson.

She said the group is still planning some events so there may be other possible activities for Black History month.



Photo by Melissa DePew

Al Bostic imitates the seven dwarfs coming home, during his storytelling presentation.

Celebrate black history all month long

By Melissa DePew
Staff Writer

"...From every mountainside, let freedom ring," echo the words of Martin Luther King.

"And when this happens, and when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual, 'Free at last! Free at last! Thank God almighty, we are free at last!'"

It is in remembrance and celebration of great leaders such as King, Fredrick Douglass, W.E.B. Dubois and others that people celebrate Black History Month during the month of February.

In fact, the month of February is significant in African American history because of the birthdays of some of the above and other great African American pioneers and institutions.

Under the direction of Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson and other contributors, "Negro History Week" was launched on a serious platform in 1926 to neutralize the apparent ignorance and deliberate distortion of black history.

Today, the expansion of this international observance has increased the number of days for celebration, but its strength and importance lie in the new meaning that has emerged.

In the words of Ralph Crowder, "the observance must be a testimony to those African pioneers who struggled to affirm the humanity of African peoples and a challenge to the present generation to protect and preserve...the humanity of all peoples of African descent."

There are a variety of programs- including lectures, exhibitions, banquets and a host of cultural activities to commemorate the occasion across the states.

-Information courtesy of www.dal.ca/~acswww/grfibhm.html

You're a good man, Charlie Brown— even onstage

By Melissa DePew
Staff Writer

The "Peanuts" are back, but for a limited time only.

Soon, you can catch a glimpse of the gang in "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," directed by Jacque Hocking and Darin Young.

The musical comedy will be presented by the OKCCC drama department at 7 p.m. Feb. 15 through 17 in the theater.

"This collection of skits

based on the 50-year running comic has something for everyone, old and young," said Young.

Auditions began back in November and the cast has been practicing together since Jan. 15.

Cast members include: Shad West (Charlie Brown), Liz Allen (Lucy), Ace Burke (Schroeder), Stacey LeGrange (Patty) and Devon Arnold (Snoopy).

Special performances will be presented Friday Feb. 16.

During the afternoon, there will be a performance

for area middle schools and high schools.

"We've already gotten close to 300 seats filled for the afternoon performance," Young said.

Also on the same evening, there will be an interpreter for the hearing impaired.

If you are hearing impaired and will be attending this performance, Young asks that you would contact either him or Tammy Rogers, located in Services for Students with Disabilities.

Ticket prices for the mu-

sical are as follows: \$5 for general public, \$4 for senior citizens, students with ID and faculty and \$2 for children 12 and under.

Tickets can be purchased at the door.

For more information, contact Darin Young at 682-1611, ext. 7588.



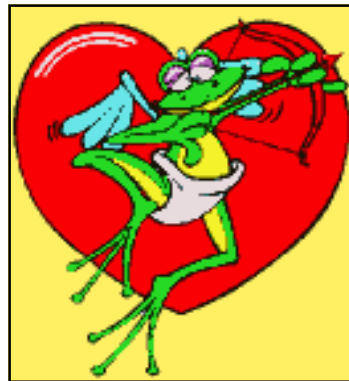
Tommy Cella, left, Shad West and Liz Allen rehearse for the upcoming production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown."

Have a safe, happy, loving Valentine's Day

Heart melting Valentine's gifts For her:

- ♥ A petal-strewn bedroom with several lighted candles. (and then HE cleans them up.)
- ♥ Picnic breakfast at sunrise or a cozy dinner in front of the fireplace.
- ♥ A surprise weekend getaway for you and your sweetie.
- ♥ A diamond heart necklace or other jewelry engraved with your initials or the date you met.
- ♥ A few chocolate roses mixed in with the traditional red roses.
- ♥ Original poetry or song just to say "I love you"
- ♥ A scrapbook of pictures of the two of you.
- ♥ A bottle of her favorite perfume.
- ♥ Unique gift certificates to the spa or other relaxation treatments.
- ♥ A plush teddy bear or stuffed animal for her to cuddle with when your away.

—By Melissa DePew



Heart melting Valentine's gifts For him:

- ♥ Subscription to his favorite magazine like "Sports Illustrated" or "Maxim."
- ♥ Gift cards to stores like Best Buy or Hastings.
- ♥ Breakfast in bed. All guys love to eat without having to get up.
- ♥ Hallmark's kissing bears.
- ♥ Tickets to a WWF or sporting event. Nothing says love better than a headlock courtesy of The Rock.
- ♥ Video games for Dreamcast or Playstation 2, or maybe a Dreamcast or Playstation 2.
- ♥ Balloon ride with a picnic lunch.
- ♥ Nike Air Jordan XVI, to sweep the ladies off their angelic feet.
- ♥ Homemade collage with pictures of "you."
- ♥ Guys just want to be right for one day.

—By Mark Stack

Condom's life

By Brandi Peterman
Staff Writer

Feb. 14 is not only Valentine's Day but also National Condom Day.

The American Social Health Association's mission is to stop sexually transmitted diseases and their harmful consequences to individuals, families and communities. ASHA chose Valentine's, "the day of love," to remind people to practice safe love.

Since Valentine's and Condom Day are just right around the corner, it might be interesting to learn a little about where condoms originated.

In the mid 1500s, Gabriel Fallopius designed a medicated sheath to go over the tip of the penis and under the foreskin.

Fallopius tried to make it more attractive to women by tying a pink ribbon around it. These devices were not used to prevent pregnancy, that was the

woman's job. They were actually used to prevent venereal diseases, syphilis in particular.

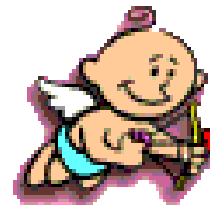
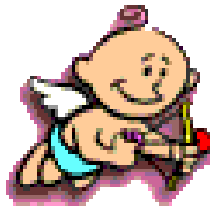
The men called them overcoats. They were not pleased with wearing them.

Many people believed that the Earl of Condom invented the condom, but his name was the only thing he had to do with it.

About 100 years after Fallopius's invention, England's King Charles II requested his physician, the Earl of Condom, design something to protect him from disease.

The Earl devised an oiled sheath made from sheep intestine. Word got around and soon all the men were using them. The only problem with this invention was that they reused them without washing them. Therefore, they still ended up getting diseases.

The modern rubber we all know and love was invented in 1870. The latex came in the 1930s. Information from www.useless/condoms.com



Day of love has birdy background history

By Brandi Peterman
Staff Writer

The history of Valentine's Day dates back to 289 AD. The Europeans would hold "love" festivals in honor of this day.

During the festival, young men would draw the names of available girls from a pot or urn.

The couples would be paired off in very intimate ways until the next Valentine's Day.

Men of earlier times also had other strange rituals they followed.

The young men in the Middle Ages would wear the slip of fabric bearing his

Valentine's name on his sleeve. He would then court his sweetheart with flowers, gifts, and kind words.

Europeans also believed that Feb. 14 was the day when birds began to choose their mates.

In accordance with tradition, it is believed that a young girl will be able to tell what type of man she will marry based upon the first bird that she sees on Valentine's Day.

If the girl saw a blackbird, it is said she would marry a priest or clergyman; robin redbreast, a sailor or nautical man; goldfinch or any yellow bird a rich man; a sparrow, a farmer or country gentleman; bluebird, a happy man; crossbill, an

argumentative man; dove, a good husband, and a woodpecker; means no husband.

There is also legend surrounding Saint Valentine.

Saint Valentine was beheaded for helping young lovers marry against the emperor Claudius' wishes. Before his death, Valentine fell in love with the jailer's daughter.

He signed his final note to her, "From Your Valentine." His famous last words have lasted through centuries.

All Valentine legends were combined in 496 AD. Pope Gelasius declared Feb. 14 in honor of St. Valentine. Information from www.sweettechnology.com

Vice president's honor roll recipients named

Students are eligible to be placed on the Vice President's Honor Roll in any semester in which they have achieved a semester grade point average of 3.5 while carrying at least 12 hours.

Part-time students are eligible if they have maintained a 3.5 GPA for two consecutive semesters.

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"The students listed are to be commended for their efforts in achieving academic excellence. My congratulations to those students named to the [vice president's] honor roll."

—Paul Sechrist
Vice President for Academic Affairs

Students named to president's honor roll

Students are eligible to be placed on the President's Honor Roll in any semester in which they have achieved a semester grade point average of 4.0 while carrying at least 12 hours.

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**—Bob Todd
OKCCC President**



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(Editor's note: If you made the Vice President's or President's Honor roll but do not see your name listed, contact the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs at 682-1611, ext. 7546.)

What's holding your child back?

By Brandi Peterman
Staff Writer

Ten million children are not buckled into their safety seats correctly, according to a recent survey by the National Transportation and Safety Board.

These statistics have prompted many people to help increase awareness including designating Feb. 11 through 17 as National Child Passenger Safety Week.

Emergency Medical Services Authority is offering the first permanent fitting stations for child seat safety inspections in Tulsa and Oklahoma City. The stations are sites for parents to have their carseats inspected for proper fit.

The fitting stations are funded by an Oklahoma Highway Safety Office grant. The program is called "EMSA's Backseat Buddies," which refers to placing children in appro-

priate child safety seats in the back seat of vehicles when possible.

"The great part about this program is that the grant allows us to not only inspect car seats, but also purchase car seats which will be given to families in need who are unable to purchase the seats themselves," said Pam Stottman, the project's coordinator. "We are very excited about offering this program to the community."

EMSA personnel will inspect all car seats for defects and manufacturer recalls, instruct parents in proper installation and replace improper or damaged car seats.

The inspections are held the first and third Thursdays of each month from 4 to 6 p.m. at EMSA's corporate office, NW 10 and Dewey. For more information contact Pam Stottman at 297-7018.

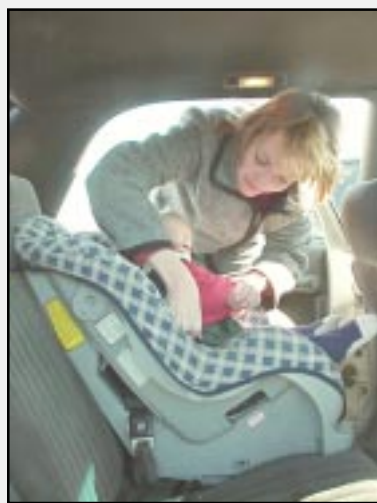
Refer to "Get the right fit" for ages and sizes.



Shellie Stephens-Stidham of the State Health Department, left, reviews car seat safety requirements with OKCCC's Child Development Center Family Service Coordinator Patty Young during a child safety seminar. Parents can also learn more about child safety by contacting Pam Stottman at 297-7018.

Photo by Melissa DePew

Be car seat savvy



◀ **Place your child in the car seat. Pull harness around to the buckle.**

✓ Check for "irritators" — little toys or even food crumbs that bother children and give them one more excuse not to want to be strapped down.

✓ Make sure the metal buckle is not hot if it has been in the sunlight for an extended period of time — children can burn themselves easily on the metal pieces.

✓ Make sure your child is comfortable.

For more tips, go to:
www.seatbelt.com



Insert the harness portion of the strap into buckle.

✓ Make sure you hear the "click" sound ensuring the belt has been buckled.

✓ Tug on the harness and the buckle assuring that the belt is completely buckled.

✓ Make sure all other passengers as well as yourself are belted in. Everyone should buckle up.

Get the right fit

Got kids of all sizes? Do you know what type of car seat they should ride in?

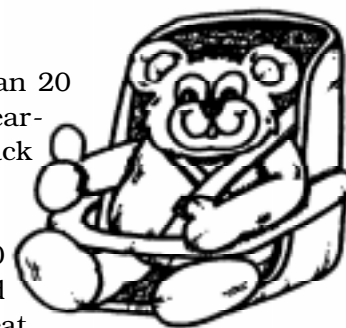
The following are tips on which car seat fits best on the different sizes of kids:

• Infants weighing less than 20 pounds should ride in rear-facing car seats in the back seat of a car.

• Kids weighing 20 to 40 pounds can ride in forward facing seats in the back seat of a car.

• Kids weighing between 40 and 80 pounds should ride in booster seats in the back seat of a car.

• Kids weighing more than 80 pounds and taller than 4 feet 9 inches can fit in lap shoulder seat belts.



If you are unsure of whether your child's car seat is right for your child, DaimlerChrysler and Fisher-Price are partnering to offer safety inspections. To find a participating dealer near you, call 1-877-FIT-4-A-KID.

You can also log on to The National SAFE KIDS Campaign's web site at www.safekids.org

Other helpful web sites include www.emsaonline.com and www.kidbuckle.com

Counselors trained to deal with students' problems



Above: OKCCC has been flying its flags at half-staff since Monday, Jan. 29. Gov. Frank Keating requested all flags be lowered due to the recent plane crash that killed 10 people, including two University of Oklahoma basketball players.

Right: OKCCC set up a big-screen television in the student union so those on campus could watch the memorial service for those killed in the plane crash.

**By Mark Stack
Staff Writer**

By now, most folks know about the tragedy that struck the Oklahoma State University's men's basketball team, taking the lives of 10 men including two basketball players and OSU's play-by-play voice.

Nearly 13,000 people showed up for the memorial last Wednesday at

Gallagher-Iba arena. Sporting orange and black ribbons, people took the time to honor and celebrate the lives of men who were prematurely taken from this world.

As expected, it has not been easy for those closely associated with the program to comprehend the loss.

In fact, tragedy and grief seem to have become a staple item for the state of Oklahoma in the past few years.

The fact is, nothing can be done to prevent these catastrophes from happening.

However, there are people who can help once the pain and suffering have set in. Most campuses have counselors equipped to help those in need.

OKCCC is a perfect example of that. Students can get

help on a one-on-one basis through the Student Development center.

Counselors in Student Development provide short-term therapeutic intervention for students.

Workshops, specifically designed for a crisis, such as the May 3 tornadoes or the Murrah bombing, are also available.

These workshops allow groups of individuals to express their thoughts and feelings as well as learn how to deal with their grief.

Mary Turner, coordinator of Student Support Services, said her area offers several different print publications on how to deal with grief.

"Essentially the student needs to come in and let us know they have some issues they are dealing with and one of us can sit down and work with them," she said.

For more information, call Student Support at 682-1611, ext. 7595.



Swimming, diving championship returns to OKCCC

**By Vu Vu
Editor**

The Mountain West Conference Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving championship, in its second year of existence after breaking up with the Western Athletic Conference, will make its sophomore debut at the college Feb. 14 to 17.

"The Aquatics Center has a great pool and a great diving facility," said Michelle Perry, assistant commissioner of championships for the MWC.

"Many of our facilities are at altitude and it is important to our coaches and student-athletes that we swim our championships at sea level."

A year ago, Brigham Young University's men's and women's teams dominated the competition dur-

ing the Mountain West Conference's inaugural men's and women's swimming and diving championship held at the Aquatic Center.

The teams competing for the championship are: Air Force Academy, located in Colorado Springs, Colorado; Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah; Colorado State University, located in Fort Collins, Colo.; University of New Mexico (women's team only) in Albuquerque, N.M.; San Diego State in California; University of Nevada, Las Vegas; University of Utah in Salt Lake City; University of Wyoming in Laramie.

None of the women's teams are ranked in the College Swimming Coaches Association of America coaches poll.

BYU's men's squad is the lone top 25 representative, ranked No. 15 behind the University of North Caro-



lina. UNLV's men's team is 10 votes shy of the No. 25 ranking.

"OKCCC has been a great partner and our coaches and student athletes appreciate all that they do to make our championship a success," Perry said.

The MWC will take over the Aquatics Center from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 13 for practice.

On Valentine's Day, men's and women's one-meter springboard preliminaries begin at 10 a.m.

The 200-yard freestyle medley begins at 6 p.m. followed by springboard finals and the 200-yard medley

relay.

At 11 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 15, the 500-yard medley, 200 yard individual medley and 50-yard freestyle preliminaries begin. The ladies dive at 2 p.m. in the three-meter springboard preliminaries. At 6 p.m., the finals begin with the 500-yard freestyle and end with the 400-yard medley relay.

On Friday, Feb. 16, the 400-yard individual medley, 100-yard butterfly, 200-yard freestyle, 100-yard breaststroke and 100 yard backstroke preliminaries begin.

At 2 p.m., the men take their turn on the three-meter springboard preliminary. Finals begin at 6 p.m.

On Saturday, Feb. 17, the final day of the championship, preliminaries begin at 11 a.m. The 200-yard backstroke, 100-yard freestyle, 200-yard breaststroke, 200-yard butterfly and

1650-yard freestyle preliminaries are scheduled.

The women's preliminary platform diving begins at 1 p.m. followed by the men at 3 p.m.

The finals kick off with the 1650-yard freestyle at 6 p.m.

Ticket prices range from \$4 for preliminary events to \$6 for final events. Fans can watch the entire championship for \$30. Kids under 14-years-old receive a 50 percent discount.

"An event of this size can only be successful with many volunteers," said Stephanie Jensen, head lifeguard.

Volunteers can contact Jensen at 682-1611 ext. 7662. Volunteers who work two or more shifts will receive a free T-shirt and meal.

For more information, contact the office of recreation and community service at 682-1611 ext. 7425.

Highlights

A meeting of the minds

The Engineering Club is having its first club meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 12:30 p.m. in the Main Building room 1C5. Topics of discussion will be the club program, activities and the invention project.

For a good cause

The Student Occupational Therapy Association (SOTA) is holding a fund-raiser through Wednesday Feb. 14. Raffle tickets are \$1 and can be purchased from anyone in the SOTA or in the Main Building room 1H1. Six prizes are being given away: 1) Dinner for two at the Bricktown Brewery and a room for two at the Biltmore Hotel, 2) Dinner for two at the Windy City and a room for two at the Hilton Hotel, 3) a room for two at the Courtyard by Marriot Hotel, 4) a room for two at the Four Points Hotel by Sheraton, 5) a Valentines Basket, 6) a Gourmet Coffee Basket. The drawing will be held at noon on Feb. 14 in front of the cafeteria. Benefits from the fund-raiser will go to the Foundation of the Disabled Camp. For more information contact Ralph deCardenas at 682-1611, ext. 7216.

Free food

The College Republicans are having a meeting Thursday Feb. 8 at 12:30 p.m. in the Main Building room 2P7. This group is not just politics anymore. Everyone has a voice and will be offered the chance to be heard. Punch and cookies will be provided. Come and have fun.

Your help is needed

The Mountain West Swimming and Diving Division 1 Championships are coming to OKCCC soon. Volunteers are needed in several different positions: lane timers, hospitality, ticket takers and merchandise sales. A meal will be provided and if you work at least two shifts, you will receive a Mountain West T-shirt. The event begins on Wednesday, Feb. 14 and ends on Saturday Feb. 17. Help is especially needed during the daytime shifts which are 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. If you can volunteer for this event, come to the Recreation Office and ask for Stephanie or call 682-1611 ext. 7662.

Singing Valentine Telegrams

The OKCCC Chamber Singers will be offering singing Valentine's telegrams on Feb. 13 and 14. A group of singers will come to your special someone and sing a love song along with a rose. On and off campus appointments are available, the cost is only \$20. So hurry up and call now, 682-1611 extension 7249.

Pioneer Advisory Board meeting set

The Student Newspaper Advisory Board will meet at 4 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, in college union 8. This is a public meeting which everyone is welcome to attend. The agenda will focus on the new Pioneer Online and how it might be improved and expanded. This advisory board meets once each semester. For more information, please contact Chairman David Charlson at 682-1611 extension 7638.

Chi Alpha has moved!

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship has a new room, 3N5 of the main building. They meet from noon to 1 p.m. every Wednesday. Come join!

**Highlights deadline is
no later than 5 p.m. Tuesdays**



Photo courtesy of Student Life

Please bid on us! Members of HOPE, Hispanic Organization to Promote Education, are giving a preview of who will be in their bachelor/bachelorette auction at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 8 in the college union. Proceeds from the auction will go towards HOPE's trip to the National Business Conference in Texas. From left to right: President Jacqui Marquez, Nicole Battles, Adam Benson, Demetrius Paggett, Monica Contreras, Jason Munier, and Stephen Medley.

English professor nationally honored by Phi Theta Kappa

**By Mark Stack
Staff Writer**

No honor is more gratifying than being only one of seven people nationwide chosen to be a part of the Phi Theta Kappa Honors Institute.

English Professor Richard Rouillard, one of OKCCC's very own, has been selected as a Faculty Scholar for the 2001 Phi Theta Kappa Faculty Scholar Conference and the Honors Institute.

He will be attending the Faculty Scholar Conference on Feb. 1 through 4 in Jackson, Miss.

The purpose of this conference is to prepare the faculty scholars for the Honors Institute.

Several different speakers and activities will be offered at the Scholars Conference.

They will be hearing presentations concerning community issues, along

with other seminars dealing with similar topics.

Rouillard has been a part of the Faculty Scholars before, and applied several years ago to go again.

"I really enjoy the experience because it's so enriching and it gives you so much information on a topic. It's so much different than what I normally do," said Rouillard.

After his conference in Mississippi, Rouillard will be preparing for the annual Honors Institute that will be held June 17 through 24 in Atlanta.

The Honors Institute will be held at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta.

Every year the Honors Institute is held at a different city and college. The Institute is designed for individuals to get together and participate in a series of activities designed to explore a certain topic.

This year's topic will be "Customs, Traditions, Celebrations: The Human

Drive Toward Community."

Along with leading about 15 honor students in seminar discussions, Rouillard will also be on the committee to discuss future Institute topics and curriculum.

Rouillard believes this experience will benefit him as well as the PTK.

"I think I'm in a position where I could say I have an opportunity to serve Phi Theta Kappa in a way that is different than a lot of other people," said Rouillard.

Rouillard has a deep passion for Phi Theta Kappa. His involvement with PTK began in 1985 when Dr. Bob Todd asked him to help out as a co-adviser.

Soon after, Rouillard was asked to take over PTK. Now with co-adviser Dana Glencross, PTK helps promote scholarship, leadership, fellowship and public service projects.

Rouillard said each year it becomes more and more enjoyable.

Classifieds

Pioneer Classified Advertising is **free** to all **currently enrolled OKCCC students** and employees for any **personal classified ad**. Ads must be submitted in writing with IDs supplied or work area and college extension included. Deadline for advertising is 5 p.m. Tuesday prior to the publication date. Call 682-1611, ext. 7674 for more information.

AUTOMOBILES

FOR SALE: '88 Chevy truck 1500 longbed. Black, CD player, speakers, tint, auto, 350. Asking \$2,500 OBO. Call at 410-7855. Leave a message.

FOR SALE: '93 Chevy Cavalier RS loaded, EC, 97K, asking \$2,900. Call 321-6288.

FOR SALE: '93 Dodge Shadow, great car \$2,500 OBO. Call 410-4836.

FOR SALE: '99 Red Mustang, 3.8 liter engine, gets 27mpg, 2 door, CD player, EC. 634-2886.

FOR SALE: '92 Chevy Silverado ext. cab, auto, 350, all power, dual exhaust, custom wheels and tires, tint, light, metallic blue, extra nice truck, only 98K, must sell. Asking \$9,500 OBO, call 527-6822 and ask for Scott.

FOR SALE: '93 Ford Taurus, very clean, CD player, power windows & doors, new tires, very good engine, new tag, AC & heater. \$3,200 OBO. 521-9759.

FOR SALE: '92 GMC Silverado ext. cab, auto 350, power locks and doors, tilt, cruise, bucket seats, middle console, CD player, bedliner, very clean. Asking \$8,100 OBO. Call Allden at 684-7027 or cell 834-4101.

FOR SALE: '78 XS 1100 Motorcycle, burgundy, new battery, new windshield, hard saddle bags,

am/fm radio, cig lighter, CB, very clean, \$1,650 OBO call Allden at 684-7027 or cell 834-4101.

FOR SALE: '84 Chevy pickup, 350, Auto, Edelbrock manifold, carb, air filter, cold air, Flowmaster exhaust, dark blue, runs great, JVC stereo, bedliner. Asking \$3,250 OBO. Call Seth at 793-8768 (home) or 557-5010 (pager).

FOR SALE: '91 Chevy Cheyenne, 305 or 350 motor, long bed, white with blue stripe, good motor with hookups for natural gas, rebuilt transmission, new paint job. Page Zach at (405) 560-2418.

FOR SALE: '87 Ford Taurus L. Runs good; new tires, belts and hoses; needs AC work and paint. \$900 firm. Call 381-3450 or 682-1611, ext. 7441.

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FOR SALE: Baldwin Spinnet piano with mahagoney finish. Good condition. \$750 OBO. Call 728-1083.

FOR SALE: TV stand \$10, table \$25, laundry basket \$1, iron table \$2 Call at 330-0731. Leave a message.

FOR SALE: White crib with new mattress, good condition, asking \$95. Also a 26" 12-speed boys bike, brand new, never used Roadmaster asking \$100. Call Karen at 728-1305.

FOR SALE: Almost brand new washer! Frigidaire multi-cycle load

and temp. Have all hoses and hookups. Have owner's manual and extended manufactures warranty. Asking \$250 OBO, contact Jason at 634-3058 or cell phone at 823-0918.

FOR SALE: Glass top dinner table black, metal, only about 9 months old. Asking \$450 OBO. Call 949-9416.

FOR SALE: Niagara Recliner with heat and vibrating rollers. Gold and very good condition. Asking \$500. Call Sue at 634-9927 or 682-7547.

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE: Acer 2GB HD, 16MB RAM, sound card, Packard Bell color monitor, speakers, includes WIN95, MS Works, MS Money. \$400. 912-2389.

FOR SALE: Looking for a bassist. Must have own equipment. Influences in underground/experimental/alternative and jazz would be a plus. Call Adam at 329-4355 or come by Student Life.

FOR SALE: New Bollinger Contour Shaper-home exercise machine with video \$75. 38 inch round coffee table with blue and gold iron base with tempered glass top asking \$100. Matching end table \$100. 324-5555

FOR SALE: 27 inch console tv, remote, cable ready, swivel base, all wood cabinet. Asking \$150, call at 912-2389 leave message.

WANTED: Versatile rhythm/lead guitarist looking to join or form rock band. Influences include: Creed, Metallica, Collective Soul, Days of the New, Blink-182, Joe Satriani, Yngwie Malmsteen and Offspring. Must be dedicated, drug-free, and 18-22 years old. Call at 691-7749.

FOR SALE: Weider Ultra Max Weight Bench, lat/preacher, 210 lb. weight set and rack, asking \$250. Ibanez EX350 electric guitar Floyd Rose, black and blue, exc. condition, \$300 OBO. Call at 378-8170.

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ACROSS

- 1 Timber wolf
- 5 Chelsea's cat
- 10 Movie dog
- 14 Baseball family name
- 15 Approximately
- 16 Go very fast
- 17 After-dinner candy
- 18 Truck, in London
- 19 Choir voice
- 20 Ken, to Barbie
- 22 Sheen
- 23 Writer Fleming
- 24 "Ciao!"
- 25 Type of duster
- 29 Mexican foods
- 33 Faulty
- 34 Roman road
- 36 Captain Kirk's navigator
- 37 Young goat
- 38 Empty, as a page
- 39 Head cover
- 40 Quebec's Sept- —
- 42 — Lease Act
- 43 Malice
- 45 Saved
- 47 Fast driver
- 49 Midwestern sch.
- 50 Motorist's org.
- 51 Baseball's Yogi
- 54 Alien's

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- 60 Pour
- 61 Tropical fruit
- 62 Popular cookie
- 63 Comedian Johnson
- 64 "Catch-22" star
- 65 Average grades
- 66 Pleased
- 67 Sword fights
- 68 Leafy vegetable

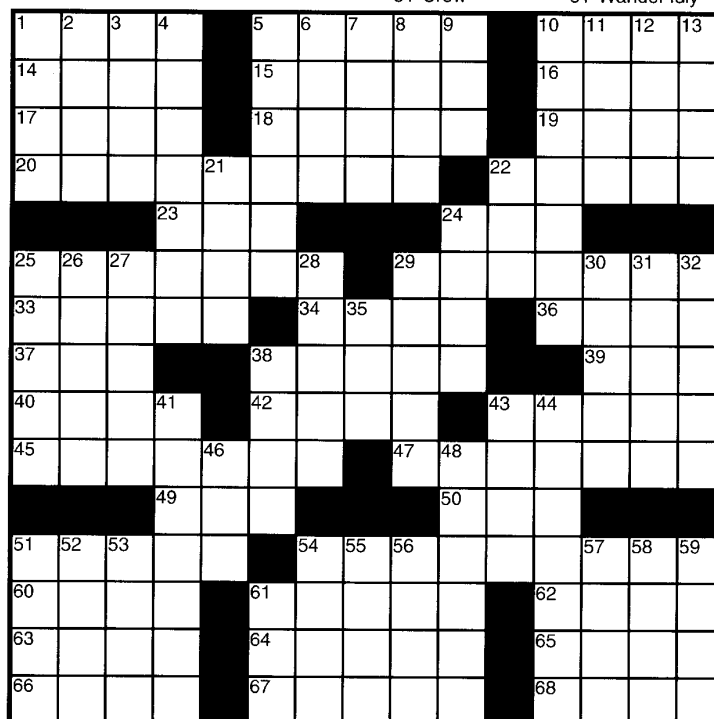
DOWN

- 1 Gentle creature
- 2 Spicy stew
- 3 Like a skeleton
- 4 Ensembles
- 5 Briny
- 6 Woodwind
- 7 Iowa crop
- 8 Certain Asian
- 9 Pippen
- 10 Brilliant shrubs
- 11 Type of performance
- 12 Children
- 13 Writer Oz
- 21 Cheers
- 22 Workout place
- 24 Kennel sound
- 25 Muslim mendicant
- 26 Writer Zola
- 27 Staffers
- 28 Angry
- 29 Takes care of

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Animal population compromised after oil spill in Galapagos Islands

"Trip,"
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at all, she said about the islands she visited. Mulvihill said the islands were very similar to what Darwin described in his journals.

The same wonderful beaches and the crystal clear, blue water greeted them the same.

However, after Mulvihill's trip ended on Jan. 7, things changed for the Galapagos.

On Jan. 16, the tanker "Jessica" ran aground near the island of San Cristobal, the eastern most island about 600 miles west of Ecuador. Three days later, 160,000 gallons of diesel fuel spilled into the Pacific, according to AP reports.

Before the spill, in every direction, there were animals. Mulvihill said she saw birds, sea lions, land tortoises, marine iguanas, penguins, dolphins and sharks. She said she easily saw 30 species of birds before the spill.

Marine birds like pelicans and sea gulls made up most of the death toll, which stood at nine as of Jan. 31.

One stingray was found dead, according to Associated Press reports.

Some of the animals don't exist anywhere else on the planet. According to Fox news, one long-term threat is that the oil will sink to the ocean floor, destroying algae that is vital to the food chain. That could threaten marine iguanas, sharks, birds that feed off fish and other species, officials say.

Although the land is rocky due to its volcanic birth from the sea, it's a place to which every biologist dreams of going.

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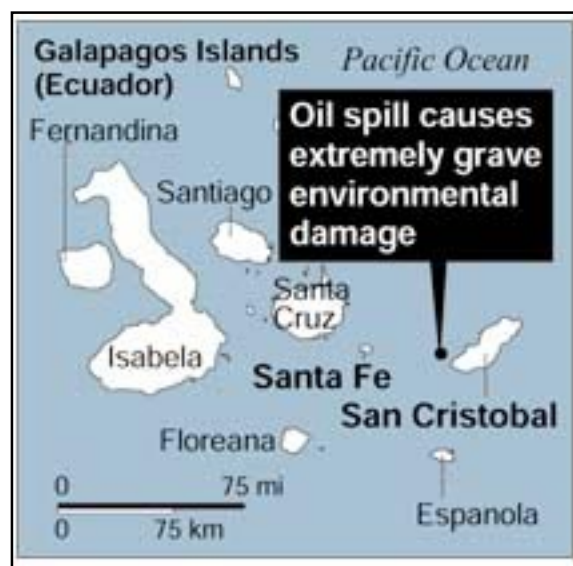
"This is the trip biologists take to walk in the footsteps of Darwin," Mulvihill said.

"It's not just a couple of sea lions," she said. "They're everywhere."

The government of Ecuador, which owns the islands, tries to do its part to protect the islands.

"You can't get on the island without a naturalist guide."

She said there are certain places a person can walk and others that are strictly off limits.



The galapagos IslandG

"If you walk off the path, you can really disrupt things," she said. "Because it's a natural park, there's no electricity on the island, no restrooms. There's just animals."

Some of the islands Mulvihill and her husband visited were Santa Cruz, Genovesa, and Espanola.

"It's really a biologist's dream world."

Mulvihill, also the director of Oklahoma's only college biotechnology program, said there is an oil-eating bacteria that can help with the latest disaster, although it would take a long time.

"Biotechnology is any-

time we use life for a human purpose," she said.


She doesn't know if it is being used in the Galapagos oil spill. She said there was a project using biotechnology to help fight pollution along the North Canadian River by Bricktown.

According to Reuters, the spill will not damage the Galapagos's environment as severely as the Exxon oil spill in Alaska. The heat of the tropical waters and strong ocean currents will help disperse the diesel fuel.

Mulvihill traveled to the Galapagos with Environmental Mutagenics Society.

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