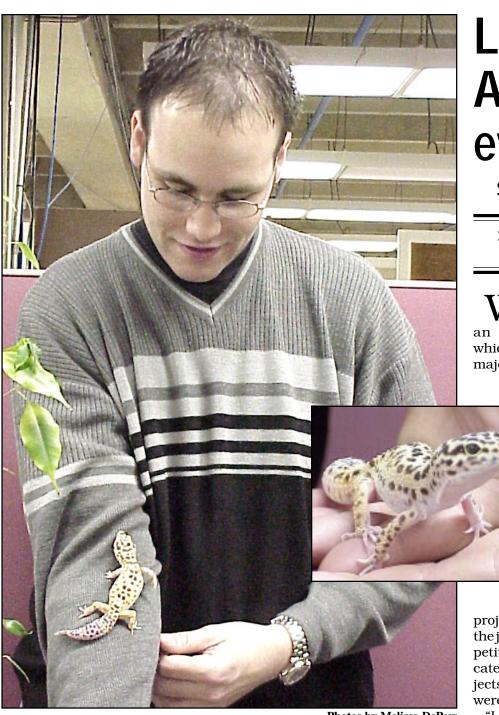


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Biology major Jeff Ledbetter proudly displays his leopard gecko, Tiberious. Along with seven other leopard geckos, Tiberious took part in Ledbetter's OKCCC algebra project, which earned him recognition for the Undergraduate Research Day at the University of Oklahoma. Ledbetter said he entered his paper "just for fun."

> INSET: Tiberious, the leopard gecko.



Photos by Melissa DePew

Library provides all study needs

By Melanie Depue Newswriting I Student

Have you ever found yourself in a situation where you needed to do research for a paper but did not know where to find the information? Maybe all you wanted was a quiet place to study between classes? The answer to your dilemma is the OKCCC library.

Located just north of the main building, the library operates during times that should prove convenient for all students. During the fall and spring semesters it is open Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.

The library originally opened in 1972 and resided in the main building near the admissions area.

It has since moved and expanded several times before making its home, five years ago, in a separate building.

"It's a gigantic improvement from when the library was located in the main build-

See "Library," page 12

Leapin' lizards! Algebra project evolves into more

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Student to take part in OU Research Day

By Melissa DePew Staff Writer

Oklahoma City Community College

What started out as a hobby lent itself to an algebra assignment, which soon turned into a major ordeal after OKCCC

biology major Jeff Ledbetter submitted his graph and paper to be considered for Undergraduate Research Day at the University of Oklahoma.

Ledbetter and his professor were surprised to find that his Leopard Gecko

project had been chosen for the junior/senior level competition of the Zoology III category. Three other projects from different schools were also chosen.

"I sent the paper just for fun. I don't consider this work," Ledbetter said.

The part-time student and supervisor at UPS was already conducting research on his leopard geckos when OKCCC Professor Dave Palkovich initially gave the assignment.

"[The professor] asked [about the assignment idea] while I was doing this and it just pushed me to go a little farther."

Ledbetter's project, titled "Incubation Times for Leopard Gecko Eggs," is a graph that relates the temperature to mean days hatch time. With this graph, he said, he can determine characteristics such as sex, disposition and color of the lizards that will hatch at different temperatures.

Among his conclusions, he has found that cooler incubation times will produce better dispositions but the colors will not be as bright, whereas higher incubation times produce better colors but more aggressive temperaments.

Ledbetter said this has been a serious hobby of his for the last two years. Over time he has acquired eight leopard geckos and two bearded dragons, plus two fish, a rabbit and a cat.

"I've always been big on lizards. My fiancé didn't like them until she met me," he said with a smile. "Now she loves them."

The two live in a two-bedroom apartment, where the estimated \$650 lizard collection has its own bedroom, with six aquariums lining one wall and a 55gallon aquarium housing the albino bearded dragon along another.

Ledbetter said caring for so many animals requires a lot of food. He said the lizards alone go through an average of 100 crickets, 40 super worms and 30 mealworms per week. Then there's the mice for the large lizard.

Although Ledbetter has so many lizards to care for, he said he can't help but be

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Editorial and Opinion _____ America, turn off your televisions

Editorial

About time for tuition hike

For the last decade, every non-election year has spurred tuition increases at Oklahoma colleges. This year is no different. The price per credit hour at OKCCC has increased from \$23.30 in 1990 to

\$31.50 today. Another increase seems likely. Judging by all the nice cars parked in the school's parking lot, a few extra dollars per hour won't hurt a bit, that is, if the economy remains stable and Oklahoma employers are willing to pay top-dollar for young workers.

During the OKCCC Board of Regents meeting in March, the Regents discussed their views on the merits of another tuition increase and Gov. Frank Keating's 9 percent tuition increase proposed in his 2001 State of the State address.

The rising cost of operating the college due to higher energy costs warrant the hike. Recent increasing costs of security and janitorial services justify the hike as well. The Regents agreed that in the next two years, an increase is vital to the operation of the college.

OKCCC Regents say they would like to see tuition costs decentralized from the state legislature. They would prefer to control costs themselves, something Senate Bill 580 would have allowed if the bill had not been killed this year.

Already taxpayers pay about two-thirds of each students' true tuition costs and taxpayers shouldn't have to pay more than they do now.

Many students are wearing fancy shoes and hip clothing these days. They can go without the \$129 sneakers for a few months.

As the college undergoes its massive remodeling planned for the summer, there is no doubt the college will attract and educate more students, thus diversifying the Oklahoma economy even more.

The extra money received from the probable tuition increase should go to increasing the number of classrooms or invested in increasing the number and variety of classes at the college.

Night classes have helped out students tremendously, especially students who pay for classes from their own pockets.

OKCCC is one of the leaders in online education. Enrollment in these classes has skyrocketed since its conception and allows students flexibility.

Another area the extra money should go to is faculty. Rose State College has 150 full-time faculty compared to OKCCC's 100 full-time faculty. even though RSC has fewer students than OKCCC. We should hire more full-time workers.

Our faculty continually go the distance to ensure the success of all students, spending time to see that students don't fall through the cracks.

Faculty even work during vacations to ensure that the college runs smoothly.

However, these are just suggestions. Where the money belongs should be answered by the students and faculty of the college.

> –Vu Vu Editor

To the Editor:

I am so relieved that someone in this country actually feels the same way I do about this whole mess with Timothy McVeigh.

He is an evil man and to make this much of a fuss about him is exactly what he wants. Why does no one see this?

Yes, it is hot news right now supposedly, but think

of the victims and their families, for heaven's sake. Do not give him martyr status. He doesn't deserve it. Does everyone not see that the release date of his book is no accident except Ms. Peterman and myself?

Encouraging this behavior by all this publicity is not right.

Everyone wants to be in the spotlight and if they

can't get there the right way, some people (and now kids) will go to any lengths to get there the wrong way. I agree with Ms. Peter-

man. It's time to shut them down and turn them off, America.

> -Mary Souza **Child Development** Center

PIONEER

To the Editor:

I would like to let you know about an exciting event coming April 17. U.S. Congressman J.C. Watts will be visiting at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17 in the College Union.

The College Republicans are providing pizza and the

J.C. Watts to visit college opportunity for all students, faculty and staff to meet their congressman and find out about the tough issues in our House of Representatives.

-Michael Pascarella Chairperson, College Republicans

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Comments and Reviews Pioneer waste of space

To the Editor:

While on break from my Political Science, class I was wandering aimlessly through the college. Along the way I grabbed a copy of the Pioneer. I don't know what issue or volume it was, the thing rarely warrants that much detailed observation.

I found a chair, parked my (expletive), and made a bold attempt to focus and read. Are all college newspapers supposed to be this boring?

The Pioneer's content is mainly wasted space, a pile of silly vanity pieces by writers who are so tragically mainstream they reek of Mayberry.

No one has the nerve to write anything intellectually insightful or just mindlessly outrageous.

Everyone just behaves in a safe manner. They don't want to stir anything or anyone up. Me, I don't care. I don't fear backlash. I like to watch faces turn red when I say or write something that stings.

For instance, I always expect and am never sur-

prised to find the usual uninspiring references to Jesus in the Pioneer. You know, the "Jesus this, and Jesus that" rhetoric that comes standard with your garden variety Oklahoma native.

In this case somebody was venting about how much airtime Timothy McVeigh was getting, and remarked that Jesus and some other corpse whose name I forgot was more worthy of mention than McVeigh.

Hello, Einstein, a case of beer deserves more mention than McVeigh.

Yet the writer of that particular piece had to go with the stock response and work "Jesus" in his/her little rant to show what a good drone she/he was. Here's your pat on the back.

In an unrelated story on another page of the Pioneer we have some more righteous Christians who are going to be on campus telling everyone all about Jesus with, I assume, all the usual rhetoric and "literature" in tow. Then we have some bonehead named Vu who might as well do all his writing with a squirt gun full of ink.

On all the other unrelated pages throughout this raggedy publication we'll find random cerebral assaults masquerading as necessary information.

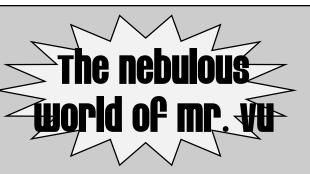
You'll find jacked up, unfunny cartoons, useless music and movie reviews, and just about all the other complements of a literary experiment gone horribly wrong.

If it doesn't ruffle any feathers or raise any eyebrows then you will find it written in the Pioneer.

I know I'm probably coming off mildly abrasive, so to balance it all out here are a few positive suggestions that I think would make the Pioneer a more innovative waste of paper. Just publish pictures and let the people come up with their own stories.

My other suggestion is to light a match and phone the insurance company.

—Michael Wagner Graphic Communications major



Relationships difficult to mend

Sitting at my desk, admiring a signed picture of Cali Tucker, Miss Teen All American 2000 smiling that great smile and dimpling those great dimples that only Cali can do, I wonder if U.S. relations with China can be mended, so that on any given day I can fly over there and take some pictures of the Great Wall without being burdened by the thought that China and humanity aren't even in the same dictionary.

Which country has the most people? China.

Which country lets people call one another "bonehead" without any repercussion? United States.

Which country says you can only have one child and enforces that rule? China.

Which country gives you more money for having more kids? United States.

Which country has the cheapest workforce? China.

Which country has organized labor unions that can make or break a multi-billion dollar company? United States.

Which country doesn't have Family Fun Night once a month? China.

In my humble opinion column, I feel sorry for China and the United States.

Why can't we all just get along? It's not that hard to do. We can just sit back and drink a few cold Dr Peppers on the second floor of OKCCC.

One year China can invite all of us Americans over there for a barbecue and the next year we can invite the Chinese over here for a pool party at my house. I don't have a pool, but I'm sure if my mom knew that over one billion Chinese were coming over, she'd think about putting one in. I think I saw a pool sale on television. It was only \$99 a month. For how long, I don't know. The price of the pool seems small now, but it adds up, and I'm sure many people might jump in on it, meaning even greater profit.

So once in a blue moon we accidentally drop a few bombs on one of their embassies, killing a few folks. It's not like we do that all the time.

And besides, somehow they got some of our nuclear secrets. I think that makes us just about even, that is, until the most recent incident.

China should return our service men and women now. The world knows China caught us.

—Vu Vu Editor

Love affair rekindled in Honda

Everyone remembers the first car they ever drove.

I learned how to drive in a 1988 Honda Accord DX, the first new car my mom ever bought, the same car my older sister learned how to drive in.

That Honda was a great car. We drove it to Texas and Missouri with no problems at all.

I remember when we went to Missouri and my cousin slept in the trunk when we went camping.

Brand loyalty begins like this and my family will always be a Honda family.

Their cars have always been geared to the people. If there was one car company that tried its best to make everyone happy, Honda is the one. Hondas embody the best of worlds, the economical and fun side.

Honda's most adored automobile, the S2000 churns out 240 horsepower at an amazing 8300-RPM from just two liters of combustion.

That's without the aid of a turbocharger or supercharger, or any other "power-adding" device. That's a drool-inducing 120 ponies per liter.

It's the result of years of research and ingenuity.

It's rear-wheel drive and coupled with a six-speed manual transmission. The convertible top reminds us of the days when we rode horses.

The price for the S2000 is around \$33,000 and it's

now available in hardtop or convertible formats.

Embracing the environment, the Honda Insight, a hybrid automobile consisting of a conventional yet small combustion engine and an electric motor, can travel an estimated 700 miles (61 mpg in the city and about 68 mpg on the highway) before it's out of fuel.

The Insight, Honda's answer to OPEC, only costs \$20,000, perfect for firsttime new car buyers.

These are just some of Honda's newest offerings. Who knows what the fu-

ture brings?

I give Honda four out of four spark plugs.

—Vu Vu Editor

Outstanding students to get their just rewards

Student Awards ceremony slated for April 20

By Mark Stack Staff Writer

Who's been a good student?

OKCCC will be honoring those outstanding students of the year during the annual Student Awards Ceremony, to be held at 7 p.m. Friday, April 20, in the college union's general dining area.

Staci McPhearson, Direc-

tor of Student Life, said **Certificates of Achievement** and the President's Award for Excellence, along with many other awards, will be presented to students for their work at OKCCC and beyond.

McPhearson also said numerous scholarships that students have applied for during the semester will also be awarded.

"This is the award cer-

emony for our students," she said, "so it's a time to honor those students for their excellence in academic programs within the college and outside of the college as well."

She also said awards for student organizations would be given out to those who gave the most to their individual clubs.

McPhearson said one student from each depart-

ment would receive a Certificate of Achievement, and each academic division would recognize up to three winners of the President's Award for Excellence.

"Nominations for each award are made by the faculty, but the deans of each division will be heavily involved in selecting the President's award," Mc-Phearson said.

Following the ceremony,

a reception will be held in CU1, 2 and 3. Finger foods and cookies will be served along with drinks.

"Party Pics will be on hand to take pictures of the award winners," said McPhearson.

"So we encourage people to bring their family to share in this celebration and they can have pictures taken together."

Award winners will be notified by hand-addressed invitations via mail.

Chamber choir's voices will be heard far and wide over next month

By Mark Stack Staff Writer

The OKCCC Chamber Singers will be making their debut in several concerts to be presented around the metro area, as well as in Louisiana.

The Chamber Singers have been practicing for months in anticipation of these several events.

"It's been a lot of fun," said Melissa Bibb, Chamber member. "We've been preparing ourselves for a year and a half now, and we can't wait to get the tour going.'

The first concert to be held will be at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, in the First Lutheran Church in downtown Oklahoma City.

The next concert will be right here in the college theater starting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24. Both concerts in the metro area are free of charge.

Works to be performed at all their concerts will span several centuries.

"She Walks in Beauty" by Folz, "MLK" by U2/Chilcott, "Minoi, Minoi" arranged by Marshal, "Locus Iste" by Bruckner, and "And So it Goes" by Billy Joel, as well as many other pieces will be performed at the concerts.

"Louisiana will be tons of fun, plus we get to check out Ryan's [Hebert] old stomping grounds." -J.R. Webster **OKCCC Chamber Choir Singer**

Music professor Ryan Hebert, said, after the OKCCC concert, the Chamber Singers will head to Louisiana for the first of three concerts to be performed there.

'This is the first time the college has had an opportunity to do something like this," he said.

We hope to continue this next year by touring somewhere else out of the state."

The three concerts to be held in Louisiana will be: noon on Friday, April 27, in the Cathedral of St. John's in Lafayette; 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 27, at St. John's Episcopal Church in Thibodaux; and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 28, at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church in New Orleans.

The singers have raised money to help fund this trip through fund-raisers such as the Madrigal dinner and the Singing Valentines.

The last full day of the trip will be for the singers to do whatever they please in New Orleans.

"Louisiana will be tons of

fun, plus we get to check out Ryan's [Hebert] old stomping grounds," said J.R. Webster.

Everyone is invited to come out and support the Chamber Singers for their hard work and dedication over the past year.

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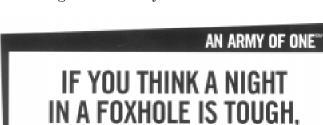
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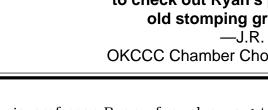
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Consultant pays off for nursing program

By Stephanie Sims Newswriting I Student

Advances in the nursing industry caused OKCCC to hire national nursing consultant Nancy Maebius in the spring of 2000, said Dr.

Slowing down eases stress

By SarahKate Philpot Newswriting I Student

Spring break has ended and now students are beginning the downhill slide to the end of the school year. So why does it seem all up hill?

Students are feeling like the little engine that just can't stop. Take five minutes and breeze by the Student Development Center to acquire some helpful time management and stress buster skills.

Dr. Peggy Jordan of the Student Development Center shared some helpful tips that workers provide in the counseling center.

"The counselors do much more than build schedules for students and recommend classes," said Jordan. "In fact, a large part of their job is to help teach the student how to remove their own obstacles."

It's kind of like the adage of giving a man a fish for a day or teaching him how to fish for a lifetime. So many of the skills students learn here will bring them wealth for a lifetime, said Jordan.

The Student Development Center expects students to take advantage of their assistance during the current enrollment period. Students enrolling for May, summer, August intersession and fall semester classes should stop by for any assistance they may need in choosing a course or field of study. Jo Ann Cobble, dean of the Health Professions division. The consul-

tant's suggestions have contributed to a 94 percent pass rate on the

state board exams for OKCCC's December 2000 graduates, Cobble said.

During Maebius's evaluation she reviewed the nursing program in detail in order to enhance its standards of preparation and academics.

She studied the program's curriculum, examinations, grading policies and overall course objectives, which resulted in several suggestions to the program.

Maebius recommended

The consultant's suggestions have brought OKCCC to a 92 percent passing rate for the graduating class in December 2000.

> that both the clinical and lab portions of the program be graded pass or fail.

These rigorous segments of nursing would then require students to pass a clinical in order to earn an appropriate letter grade in each class.

Cobble also said now 90 percent of each student's grade is derived from written tests or evaluations.

The other 10 percent comes from activities and assignments such as reports and nursing care plans. Not only has there been a change in grading policies, as proposed by Maebius, but there is also renewed emphasis

that the test questions be written at higher levels.

All questions are now written to pertain to certain course objectives.

Cobble said the questions are phrased to require higher levels of thinking such as analysis, comparison and contrast.

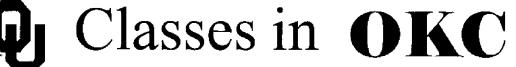
OKCCC followed most of Maebius's suggestions, Cobble said.

Even a new Scantron machine has been purchased for the purpose of item analysis and the production of statistics. "All implemented changes contribute to strengthening the program," said Cobble.

All and all, the nursing program at OKCCC has made a large effort to graduate qualified health providers into the medical field, she said.

The main goal of the entire program is "to ensure continuing graduates who become quality health care providers."

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Divers participate in Olympic-style meet

Spring Ranch Memorial Divers in Houston, Texas, has plunged from the heavens into the waters since she was 10 years old.

When she tiptoes on the edge of the 3-meter diving board with only a few inches keeping her from experiencing Newton's Third Law of Motion, she thinks only about diving.

"I concentrate on what I know and do it."

In diving, mistakes are costly.

"You smack really hard into the water."

Her ultimate goal is to get a diving scholarship to the University of Tennessee or the University of Florida.

About 150 other divers like Myers, age 9 to 18, dove into the waters of the Aquatic Center March 31 to April 1 during the Winter Region VIII Junior Olympic Diving Championship hosted by OKCCC's Aquatic Center.

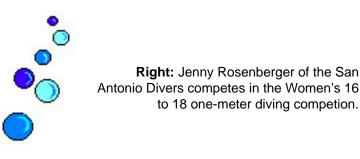
The OKC Dive Club's Natalie Swisher qualified for Nationals in Lubbock, Texas, in the women's age 14 to 15 3-meter diving. The top six qualify for the West Regional Championship in Lubbock, Texas.

The OKC Dive Club had four divers place in the meet.

Kris Hoffman, a former Big 8 diving conference champ from the University of Kansas, coaches the club.

"Our kids are doing well. They've worked hard throughout the years. Our goal is to produce an Olympian by 2008," Hoffman said.

The Aquatic Center is also a U.S. National Training Center.



Below: Brian Smith, of the Grapevine Colleyville Dive Club, entertains the audience with a backwards dive during the men's 14- to 15-age bracket for the 1-meter diving competition.



Photos and text by Vu Vu



Below: Divers in the 11- and under 1-meter diving, rest their nerves after warmups. The top six divers got a chance to compete for Nationals in Lubbock, Texas.



A liffle old, a liffle new for Easter celebration Blend old traditions, new events for holiday Story of Easter explained

In Christian countries, Easter is celebrated as the religious holiday commemorating the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the son of God.

But the celebrations of Easter include many customs and legends that are pagan in origin and have nothing to do with Christianity.

Scholars, accepting the derivation proposed by the 8th-century English scholar St. Bede, believe the name Easter is thought to come from the Scandinavian "Ostra" and the Teutonic "Ostern" or "Eastre," both goddesses of mythology signifying spring and fertility whose festival was celebrated on the day of the vernal equinox.

Traditions associated with the festival survive in the Easter rabbit, a symbol of fertility, and in colored Easter eggs, originally painted with bright colors to represent the sunlight of spring, and used in Easter egg rolling contests or given as gifts.

The Christian celebration of Easter embodies a number of traditions with em-

E aster is a time of Easter to the Jewish festi-springtime festivals. val of Passover, or Pesach, val of Passover, or Pesach, from which is derived Pasch, another name used by Europeans for Easter. Passover is an important feast in the Jewish calendar which is celebrated for eight days and commemorates the flight and freedom of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.

The early Christians, many of whom were of Jewish origin, were brought up in the Hebrew tradition and regarded Easter as a new feature of the Passover festival — a commemoration of the advent of the Messiah as foretold by the prophets.

Easter is observed by the churches of the West on the first Sunday following the full moon that occurs on or following the spring equinox (March 2I). So Easter became a "movable" feast which can occur as early as March 22 or as late as April 25.

Christian churches in the East, which were closer to the birthplace of the new religion and in which old traditions were strong, observe Easter according to the date of the Passover festival.

Easter is at the end of the phasis on the relation of Lenten season, which covers a 46-day period that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with Easter.

The Lenten season itself comprises 40 days, as the six Sundays in Lent are not actually a part of Lent.

Sundays are considered a commemoration of Easter Sunday and have always been excluded from the Lenten fast.

The Lenten season is a period of penitence in preparation for the highest festival of the church year, Easter.

Holy Week, the last week of Lent, begins with the observance of Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday takes its name from Jesus's entry into Jerusalem where the crowds laid palms at his feet.

Holy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper, which was held the evening before the Crucifixion.

Friday in Holy Week is the anniversary of the Crucifixion, the day that Christ was crucified and died on the cross.

Holy week and the Lenten season end with Easter Sunday, the day of resurrection of Jesus Christ.

- www.holidays.net

Easter plans in **OKC** area

Greenbriar YMCA: 10 a.m., April 14, 1500 Kingsridge Dr., Moore, Annual Easter egg hunt.

Reaves Park: 10 a.m., April 14, on Jenkins in Norman. Annual Easter Egg hunt. For more information, call 366-5472.

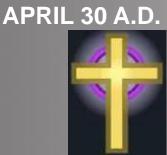
Toddler Twos: 10 a.m., April 14, OKC Zoo, 2101 N.E. 50. Program for two-year-old toddlers to share with an adult. Live animals, crafts, stories, and songs – \$8 covers toddler and adult. Call 425-0218 for more information.

Easter Egg Hunt:

10:30 a.m., April 14, New Hope Church, 11600 N. Council. Activities include an Easter story, egg hunt, prizes and refreshments. Call 721-5015 for

more information.

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Early 1500s

Easter bunny is born in a German children's story. The story told of a rabbit that laid eggs in a garden.

APRIL 1878



First Egg Roll down the lawn of the White House.

APRIL 1883

Peter Faberge made the first Faberge egg for **Russian Czar Alexander** and his wife Marie. A total of 56 Faberge eggs were made in addition to the first one.

OKCCC soccer team continues struggle

By Mark Stack Staff Writer

The OKCCC soccer team continued their losing woes last Saturday, March 31, as they were beaten

by Oklahoma State University 6-1.

It was a contest early, as OKCCC matched OSU's experience with

quickness. Oklahoma State's Nick Caudle was the first to get on the scoreboard only a few minutes into the match.

OKCCC was quick to strike back just minutes later as Jose "Pepe" Fuentes was able to dodge several defenders and score to tie up the game at 1-1.

Unfortunately for OKCCC, it would be the first and only goal OKCCC would be able to score.

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pressure to the backfield of OKCCC, preventing them from ever setting up a consistent offense.

OSU got their second goal of the game in the 25th minute.

Will Kalaba scored the first of his two goals

in a one-on-one breakaway. Kalaba drilled the ball into the left side of the goal, just to the right of the goalie.

John Arps was the next OSU player to score as he looped the ball over two OKCCC defenders in the 32nd minute of the first half.

This goal was the easiest of the afternoon as the goalie was never aware of where the ball was.

After Arps' goal, Kalaba scored his second goal in the second half to make it 4-1 OSU.

Chet Ames and Bell Boda both scored the final OSU applied constant two goals late in the second

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defense and inexperience cost us," said Fuentes. OKCCC's next game will

be against rival Rose State College, a game head coach Kelie Solis desperately hopes to win.

"We were in it, but our

"Their hearts are in it, and they'll be ready to play," said Solis.

"If they play as a team,

they'll win.'

OKCCC has a history with Rose State after a close loss to them in the fall.

"I want to get these guys," said Solis. "This is the game I have been waiting for since last fall where we were robbed."

The game against Rose State will be at 4 p.m. April 7 on the campus of Oklahoma Baptist University.

OKCCC schedule	
4-07	vs. Rose State 4 p.m.at OBU
4-14	vs. Oklahoma 4 p.m. at OU
4-21	bye
4-28	vs. Oklahoma International 4 p.m. at OSU in Stillwater

Student enrollment begins for summer, fall semesters

By Brandi Peterman **Staff Writer**

Spring is in the air and so is summer and fall enrollment.

Enrollment has begun for the May and the August intersessions and summer and fall 2001 classes.

"We like returning students to know they have three different options of enrollment," said dean of admissions. Gloria Cardenas-Barton.

Students who have been previously admitted to OKCCC are encouraged to enroll by phone, 682-6222

or on the Internet at www.okc.cc.ok.us. They can also enroll in person.

"When students enroll early they have the advantage of receiving more personalized attention from the counselors," said Barton.

MIS major. Grant Thomas said he enrolled online. "It was a lot easier for me and I got all the courses I wanted," he said. Regular on-campus enrollment hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday; 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday; and 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday.

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mer enrollment are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, May 29 through May 31 and 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 5.

May intersessions begins on May 17.

The summer semester starts June 4, August intersessions begin June 30, and the fall semester starts August 20.

Students can enroll in regular 16-week classes, eight-week mid-semester classes, weekend classes, fast-track classes, online courses and telecourses.

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Wahoo! Burchett wins state recognition

By Melissa DePew Staff Writer

Coordinating a water safety program that has included more than 10,000 school age children in the past five years has earned Sandy Burchett state recognition.

Burchett, secretary to OKCCC's Recreation and Community Services department, was recently presented with an Award of Excellence from the Oklahoma Recreation and Parks Society during the state conference in March.

Only one Award of Excellence was given for the year 2000.

Burchett said the award was specifically connected to the success of the Wacky Water Wahoo project, which over the years has grown from 300 to 3,000 children per event.

The Wahoo program is designed to teach young children water safety through different activity stations. They target six out of eight American Red Cross slogans, such as "Don't just pack it, wear your jacket."

"So far we have been injury and incident free," said Burchett with a smile.

As the event coordinator, Burchett pours several months of preparation into the event, from meeting with the 19 different schools involved to heading the committee of volunteers, not to mention the usual phone calls and paperwork.

"I like being a coordinator and I love working with children," said Burchett. "Combining the feelings in my heart concerning water safety and love of children makes my job easy."

During the last five years of coordinating the event, she said it has been held here at the college for two years and at White Water Bay for three years.

Burchett said the event had to move over to White Water for "space to accommodate all the interest."

Compared to a few years ago when the attendance was much lower, the Wahoo project appears to be growing by leaps and bounds.

It was actually several years ago that Burchett submitted her application and paperwork to be considered for the award.

"They (state) must have seen the potential for growth over the years," said Burchett.

"It's great to have the state's support when you have so much going into a project."

Since her recognition at the state conference, Burchett has already hosted another Wahoo event, but this one was the first of its kind: Wee Water Wahoo.

Wee Wahoo, bringing in 400 kindergarten children from eight different schools, was held in the OKCCC gym and aquatics center on March 27.

Children must at least be first graders to participate in the event held at White Water.

In addition to the Award of Excellence, Burchett has also received other awards for her Wahoo project.

In 1998, she received the Project of the Year



Sandy Burchett

award through the Safe Kids Coalition.

Then in the year 2000, the Red Cross volunteer was recognized again by the Safe Kids Coalition, this time for the Outstanding Service Award.

Along with her jobs as Recreation and Community Services secretary and Wahoo coordinator, Burchett can also be found instructing lifeguards and the Southwest Aquatics School in the OKCCC pool.

Unauthorized computer use, auto break-ins top crime list

By Mark Stack Staff Writer

OKCCC has seen its fair share of crime as of late, and the past several weeks have been no different.

OKCCC security officers were tipped off that one of the late night cleaning crew was using a college employee's computer after hours.

"Harold Case informed us that someone had been tampering with his computer at night," said Keith Bourque, head of security at OKCCC.

"We used diagnostic tools on his computer to figure out what time we should be aware of someone using his computer." On the night of March 28, Officer Kevin Tipton was patrolling the area between entry 14 and entry 1 when he noticed Jerrod Biglow rattling some trash bags around in Case's office.

Tipton said he quietly maneuvered his way into Case's office, where Biglow was using the computer.

Tipton confronted Biglow who quickly began closing out programs on the computer.

At that time, Tipton said he called Pure Service Inc., the company Biglow works for.

When Pure Service Inc. supervisor John Brooks arrived, Biglow was fired and charged with unauthorized use of college or state property.



Neither Case nor Brooks could be reached for comment.

On Thursday, March 28, Mary Henslee reported that her 1998 Jeep Wrangler had been burglarized.

Henslee reported to Officer Tipton that she parked in parking lot D and arrived on campus around 8:45 a.m. to attend an ethics conference.

Upon returning to her vehicle, Henslee noticed that numerous items were missing from her Jeep.

Henslee told Officer

Tipton that her purse with checks, credit cards, and identification were stolen.

She also reported that \$475 in cash was stolen along with a Compaq monitor, prescription sunglasses, and a Sony In-Dash Mini Disc Player.

The monitor is valued at \$800 and the stereo is valued at \$450.

Then, on April 3, Officer Larry Lundy was patrolling parking lot A when, he said, he noticed two cars that had their windows broken out. At about 1 p.m., Lundy noticed that Mathew Hamilton's Chevrolet Blazer's rear window was shattered.

About 10 minutes later, Lundy spotted Chiao Ching's Mercury Villager had a shattered window as well.

Lundy contacted the owners of the two vehicles to see if anything was missing.

Both students reported no missing items. Lundy believed that a

combination of heat inside the car and hydraulic lift shocks applying pressure to the windows is what made them break.

Neither Ching nor Hamilton could be reached for comment.

Highlights

Diabetes education

Ron Scribner, Professor of Microbiology, will address the issue of diabetes and new developments in the field at noon on Wednesday, April 11 in College Union room 1. It is open to all college employees. The session is designed to learn about the disease. While you may not be diabetic, it could be beneficial to you to assist a family member or to better understand the challenges of a colleague. You are welcome to pick up a tray or bring your lunch to the session. You are also encouraged to invite family members who might be interested.

Meet Your Congressman

The College Republicans is having a "Meet Your Congressman" meeting from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17, in the College Union. Oklahoma Congressman J.C. Watts will be on hand. So come get a slice of pizza and meet Congressman J.C. Watts.

Society of Performing Artists sets meeting

The Society of Performing Artists is having a meeting on Thursday, April 12, at 1 p.m. in the Green Room 1F5. It is an organizational meeting for who, what, when where, why and how. For more information contact Chris Steele at 634-1765.

How's your resume?

From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, April 13 there will be an information table set up by the stairs in the Main Building lobby. The information table is to offer information for students regarding resumes and interview help and information. There will be information available to increase awareness on job searching and designing eye-catching resumes.

Get your car washed

The African American Student Association is having a fund-raiser car wash on Saturday, April 14 from noon to 4 p.m. at Wal-Mart on SW 74th and Penn. Cars will be washed for \$2 and vans/trucks will be washed for \$5. Come support the AASA and get your car cleaned.

Free school!

Tuition Fee Waiver Applications for Summer 2001 are now available from the Student Financial Aid Center. To be eligible, the student must: be an Oklahoma resident; be in good academic standing and maintain a 2.00 cumulative GPA; maintain enrollment of at least 3 credit hours, 6 hours for long term; obtain your current "Academic History" at the Admissions desk; answer each question, date and sign the application; not submit more than one application; present this application with attached Academic Histories from all schools attended beyond high school to the Student Financial Aid Center by 5 p.m., Friday, April 20.

Internship at OAI

The Oklahoma Arts Institute (OAI) is currently accepting applications for spring semester internships. Students that are interested in public relations/outreach programming or fund-raising are encouraged to apply. Interns must meet applicable college prerequisites and must have PC experience. For more information contact Sabrina Redding Intern Coordinator at OAI at (405)319-9019 or okarts@okartinst.org

Highlights deadline is 5 p.m. on Tuesdays



Photo supplied by Jan Reed

Cotton Candy anyone? The Engineering Club lines up for a photo during their cotton candy fund-raiser held March 27. Jan Reed, Engineering Club president, would like to thank all the patrons and volunteers who helped out during the sale. The club raised \$262.55. The money will go into the Engineering Club account for cash prizes for the catapult contest that wil be held in the courtyard on April 12. From L to R, Huy Phan, Masil Masilamani, Kim Pham, Hao Ho, Ryan Suszek and Corey Massey.

Student Art Guild plans exhibition

By Mark Stack Staff Writer

The annual Student Art Show will be coming to OKCCC from April 21 through 27.

Carolyn Farris, professor of visual art, said that the exhibition will consist of two categories, fine art and commercial art. Best-ofshow in each category will win \$100. First, second and third prize will also be awarded in each category.

Farris also said the items that may be submitted under the fine art category include ceramics, pottery, 3-D design sculptures, mixed media paintings and drawings, pen and ink, fine art photography, mosaics, and senior painting for artists 65 and up.

The items that can be submitted in the commercial art category include digital illustrations such as Photoshop or Freehand, web page design, commercial photography, animation, multimedia design, and graphic design such as newsletters, brochures, ads, fliers, CD covers and posters.

Farris said that the exhibition is open to anyone enrolled at OKCCC.

"We encourage any student at the college who feels they have something worth showing to be a part of the show," said Farris.

Entries to be submitted for the contest must be hand delivered to the main building foyer near the elevators between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. on April 20.

Farris said for students to be eligible for the exhibition, they must be a student at OKCCC. Entry form labels should be attached to the back of two-dimensional pieces and on the bottom of three-dimensional works.

She also said that all twodimensional works must be matted or framed with wire hangers, and any entry that does not have a secure hanging device will be rejected.

Paintings must have wire hangers, and digital illustrations must be matted or framed with a wire hanger attached to the back.

Multimedia, web pages, and animations must be submitted in a ZIP cartridge, with a laser printout of the project and a list of software programs used to make it.

Works accepted for the exhibition cannot be picked up until 12:30 p.m. April 27.

The exhibition will be judged by two jurors, one for fine art and one for commercial art.

A reception for exhibitors, students, faculty and staff will be held at 6 p.m. April 24.

Farris said that presentations of awards will occur at the time of the reception.

For more information regarding the art show or rules and eligibility, contact Carolyn Farris at 682-1611 ext. 7250.

Classified Advertising is

Pioneer Classified Advertising is free to all currently enrolled OKCCC students and employees for any <u>personal</u> 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.

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FOR SALE: '82 Chevy Camaro, rebuilt engine, transmission and carb. 305 V8 engine. For more information call Jenny at 575-0947 (pgr.) or 324-5248.

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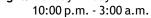
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OKCCC library not just about books

"Library," Cont. from page 1

ing," said Rachel Butler, reference librarian.

The first floor can easily be described as the working floor, said Jay Ramanjulu, reference librarian.

"This is where all of the action is."

There, students will find circulation, reference and electronic materials to help with research.

The reference desk is where students can get help and suggestions from the best resource — a librarian.

The checkout desk is where patrons can check out materials.

The first floor also includes a cozy area where readers can curl up in the comfort of a plush chair.

All departments are located in separate segments of the floor and can easily be identified by the labels on the wall.

The circulation section consists of newspapers and magazines on all topics

from the Daily Oklahoman to National Geographic. The library subscribes to about 550 magazines and newspapers. Those who need an old

article can use the microfiche readers to sift through magazine and newspaper archives. A copy of an article from the microfiche costs 10 cents per page.

The reference section consists of a vast array of materials that can be used to direct researchers toward information for their project.

There are encyclopedias, thesauruses, computers and maps. The maps range from a map of the world to a map of the human body.

The electronic section consists of video and audio materials on on particular classes and topics.

Right next to the checkout desk is the copy center where a person can make copies of materials on Xerox machines. Copies are 10 cents apiece.

If one of the textbooks you need for class is sold out at the bookstore, it's possible the library has that textbook on reserve at the checkout desk.

"You can reserve the textbooks for two hours at a time in the library," Butler said.

"That way everyone in class has a chance at getting their hands on it."

She said it's a good idea to call the library beforehand, with the exact title of the book, to verify they have the specific textbook the student needs.

If a student or a study group needs a quiet place to concentrate, the library has several study rooms. These are open to students on a first-come, first-serve basis. Students can reserve a room at the circulation desk.

The second floor of the library consists of the fiction and non-fiction books, which can be checked out for two weeks at a time. Books can be rechecked a total of three times by either calling, going into the library or using the library's website.

For more information call 682-7585 or visit http://library.okc.cc.ok.us/

Prof proud of student's project

"Lizard," Cont. from page 1

partial to one in particular.

"I baby Caesar, a big old male. He's blind, so I have to hand feed him.

"My heart goes out to him," Ledbetter said.

With all these pets, it's not surprising that Ledbetter would love to own his own pet store. However, that is not his next project.

Instead, he wants to open an Internet website business, selling plants and animals.

But for now he must prepare for his upcoming presentation at the OU Undergraduate Research Day on April 7.

His presentation, to be delivered during the 12:45 p.m. session in the Thurman White Forum Building, will compete against other projects such as "Distribution of Interneuron Cell Bodies Labeled from Infections at the D9 and S1 Regions of the Turtle Spinal Cord" and "The Role of Endogenous Opioids within the Olfactory Bulb During Odor-Rewarding Conditioning."

Palkovich said judges will like Ledbetter's project.

"[Jeff's] graph is understandable," said Palkovich. "It has use. It's not just something for class."

Ledbetter made a similar comment when discussing his presentation.

"Everybody in the room will be able to understand what I'm talking about," he said.

"I'm not sure what [the judges are] looking for but if anything, I think I should win on originality."

Palkovich said Ledbetter gave a very successful presentation at the March 3 monthly meeting of the math and science department.

"He has a good presentation," Palkovich said. "He speaks well and everyone wishes him well."

Ledbetter plans to transfer to Northeastern Oklahoma State University this spring where he will continue his study of biology with an emphasis on fish and wildlife.





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