

PIONEER

Grant money has college takin' care of business

First National Center to get \$1.5 million facelift

By Mark Stack
Editor

A \$1.5 million grant given to the college will be used in part to help small businesses get off to a better start.

OKCCC received the grant from the Economic Development Administration of the U.S. Department of Commerce for the renovation and relocation of the college's Downtown Consortium in the First National Center in downtown Oklahoma City.

Announced in a press conference on Sept. 9, the renovated First National Center will be the new site for the Oklahoma City Enterprise Center, a move that will send OKCCC into the forefront of Oklahoma's business economy.

Ann Ackerman, vice-president for economic and community development, said a major goal of the center is designed to get small businesses up and running.

"The \$1.5 million will go toward renovating the second and third floors and make them functional for the incubator space, classrooms, training, computer labs and for the commercialization center to set up offices," said Ackerman.

Ackerman said the business incubators will be the main function for the center early on.

"If someone has an invention, or small business idea, they could go to the commercialization center where someone would help them develop a business plan, help them find money to finance the project and determine if it is a viable idea to produce the product," she said.

Ackerman said some of what keeps small businesses from succeeding is a lack of financial support.

"What destroys start-up [businesses] is that they have to go out and rent office space. [It is] the rent, coupled with utilities and all the things needed to get an office started, [that] they don't have the money for," said Ackerman. "So an incubator gives rent at a reduced rate, so it cuts their expenses the first year or so that they are in business."

No time limit has been set as to how long a business can operate in an incubator, Ackerman said, but there will be a limit.

"If a company isn't able to support itself on its own



Photo by Kat Mohr

Concentration is key: OKCCC student James Wilbanks, pre-dentistry major, works on an experiment in the science and chemistry lab. Wilbanks said he likes attending OKCCC. "It is a lot more accessible for me because of how flexible the classes are to suit my work schedule." The science and the chemistry lab is open to students Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 to 5 p.m.

Miss Oklahoma prefers OKCCC

By Mark Stack
Editor

Miss Oklahoma USA 2002 Kasie Head knew a change was in order when she realized her classes at the University of Oklahoma were nearly the same size as her hometown of Baman.

That change brought her to OKCCC.

"I'm from a really small town of 300 people and those big universities just scare me a little," Head said.

"I like smaller schools," she said. "I'm used to smaller classrooms with 10 to 15 people and that's what OKCCC is like. I feel right at home here."

After speaking with Fritz Kiersch, professor of film and video productions, OKCCC's film program appealed



Photo by Kat Mohr

Miss Oklahoma Kasie Head

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Zero tolerance, zero reasoning

I kept a pocket knife in the console of my car the whole time I went to high school. It was never meant for anything, and it wasn't even mine. Someone left it in my car, and it was kept there because it usually came in handy.

Little did I know that my high school career could have been in jeopardy if I were ever caught, not with it on me, but in my car. That's what makes the zero-tolerance policy absolutely ridiculous.

Take David Mahan for example. He is the 18-year-old senior at Midwest City High School who is an All-American wrestler with no criminal history whatsoever. The car he drove to school one day, belonging to his parents, was searched in the parking lot for not having a parking decal. Security officers found two pocket knives in his car, which supposedly belonged to his father.

His punishment? Zero tolerance, a 365 day suspension from school.

Let's not even get into the argument that his car should never have been searched in the first place because it didn't have a parking decal. The U.S. Constitution guarantees protection against unreasonable search and seizure. Besides, what if that car belonged to a visitor?

Although he has been reinstated, it almost cost him an education and a possible wrestling career at an Ivy League school. It's hard to imagine Harvard allowing admittance to someone who had been expelled for a year, under any circumstance.

After my visit with State Rep. Al Lindley (D-OKC) during a recent fund-raiser, his point could never be more clear.

Zero tolerance does more harm than good.

Lindley spoke of another situation when a religious student returned from a mission trip in Mexico, and brought home as an artifact an Aztec pipe used to smoke peyote. After bringing the artifact to show his friend after school, a security sweep of the parking lot proved he was in possession of drug paraphernalia. The student, who was never in any trouble before, received a one-year suspension.

Was he selling drugs? No. Did he have drugs on his person? No. Did Mahan have those knives out ready to stab someone? No. Did Mahan bring those knives into school and foolishly show them off to classmates? No.

The point is zero tolerance has its place when students get into a fight, when a gun or drugs are brought onto the premises or when a knife is actually used as a weapon.

We have to understand that these are kids, and are prone to mistakes like everyone. They deserve their second chance. If we are going to suspend a student and deny them an education, we must take into consideration their circumstance. After all, even felons get at least three chances.

And to Johnny Unitas and Abe Lemmons, we love you, may you rest in peace. Goodnight now.

—Mark Stack
Editor

Constitution celebrating birthday

To the editor:

This month we celebrate the birth of a four-page, hand-written document that gave life and form to our great country.

On Sept. 17, 1787, the 55 delegates to the Constitutional Convention held their final meeting at Independence Hall in Philadelphia. Only one item of business was on the agenda that day: Sign the Constitution of the United States of America.

During Constitution Week, Sept. 17 through 23 and Citizenship Day on Sept. 17, we honor and remember their historic accomplishments.

Traditionally, across the country, Citizenship Day is recognized by Americans honoring and celebrating the privileges and responsibilities of being U.S. citizens, both native-born and naturalized.

A presidential proclamation, initiated by President Harry S. Truman, and a joint resolution of Congress, both in 1952, encouraged government, civic and educational organizations to conduct ceremonies and programs to cel-

brate the Constitution and reaffirm our commitment as citizens of a great nation.

Public schools have two basic purposes: First, to prepare students adequately for jobs or for postsecondary education and second, to teach children to be good citizens.

Certainly, we must ensure students have the knowledge and skills necessary to prepare them to be successful in this new century. But, we must also prepare our young people to be good citizens in our democracy, to be good neighbors and good parents, to be responsible and compassionate human beings.

As sure as schoolchildren across Oklahoma recite the words of the Preamble to the Constitution, the words of freedom and democracy within the timeless document still ring loud and true.

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the

blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

The American dream is alive and well, forever echoed through the spirit of our Constitution. Let freedom ring!

—Sandy Garrett
State Superintendent

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Comments and Reviews

'Plea for Peace' tour headed your direction

To the editor:

When some people hear the word "punks" they automatically think of drug users and violent teens. In some cases this is true. Yet, there is so much more.

This is the third year that the "Plea for Peace" tour is going to go on. The "Plea for Peace" tour is a benefit tour that sends portions of the proceeds to different charities. This year's charity is the National Hopeline, and the Kristin Brooks Hope

Center. Both charities help troubled teens avoid suicide.

Even though this tour is not coming through Oklahoma, it is going through Texas. On Oct. 18 it will be in Dallas at The Gypsy Ballroom. Tickets are on sale now for \$15. On Saturday October 19 the tour will be going through Austin. At Emo's tickets are on sale for \$15.

If all the benefits for helping out charity isn't

enough, the line-up for the tour should get you motivated to go. Top notch bands like Thursday, Common Rider, (formerly Op-Ivy Jesse Michaels fronts this band) Poison the Well, Lawrence Arms, and Cur-sive will be playing in Dallas and Austin.

There are many other bands that are playing on this tour and are TBA on their cities: The (International) Noise Conspiracy, Bouncing Souls, and Anti-

"When some people hear the word 'punks' they automatically think of drug users and violent teens. In some cases this is true."

—Terrell Winans
OKCCC Student

Flag.

Alongside this show will be a double-disc CD for sale. One side has songs from bands that are on the tour and the second disc has suicide prevention training and a depression

screening tool. For more information go to www.takeactiontour.com and I hope to see you in Austin.

—Terrell Winans
OKCCC student

Norman band deserves attention

Song one, line one: "Low Self Esteem, you used to be my very best friend."

Song two, line one: "But then again, I'll sink or swim."

Song three, line one: "My little brother is sensational, he's inspirational..."

Good songs can come from the simplest of lyrics, from "you really got me" to just the word "tonight," and in the rock 'n' roll hands of leader Mark Lewellen and the Golden Eggs, the above opening lines lead into good songs on this CD sampler, and there's plenty more to be had from this band. I'm still not sure why they're not already famous.

Song one, also known as "Your Cousin Humility," rocks out, to start things off. Here's the joke: the evil goddess Low Self Esteem tricks our hero into thinking that she is the good goddess Humility, the well respected cousin.

Through rock 'n' roll myth and magic (plus chimes!), our hero vanquishes Low Self Esteem, and he's ready to sing another song.

And that one, "Maybe It's Written in the Stars," starts in the middle of things: "But then again..." Not too many songs start there, but it fits here.

It's a slow number, a reflective song whose melody will come to haunt the days and nights of your mind as

you get to know it better.

Some call it a "ballad," but that idea is dispelled by the plaintive and uncertain cry of the title and refrain—again, "Maybe It's Written in the Stars."

Maybe so, maybe not. Call it ballad angst if you will, as two of the best lines show: "But we'll laugh if the fates allow / Out loud in the face of it all somehow." Hear the music to those lines soon if you can.

If you've read this far, you're probably one of the many who's about had it with love songs, but leader Lewellen outdoes all those with the third and last song on this sampler CD, a rave-up rocking love song to his brother. And his baby son. And his best friend, long-time collaborator and percussionist Kelsey Kennedy.

If we remember line one of song one, "Low Self Esteem . . . used to be my very best friend," we can hear now that life is better with his real best friend, and his baby boy and, of course, his brother.

The opening line bears repeating, this time with the punch line added: "My little brother is sensational, he's inspirational / That's probably why I'm still alive."

Again, this CD is just a sampler, and Mark Lewellen and the Golden Eggs have so much more to

offer, from dozens of originals to thousands of the best.

This Norman-based band deserve a listen before they get too famous. Lewellen and one "Egg" performed a show at the recent OKCCC student club fair, and if we're lucky, they'll return.

To connect up with them in the meantime, contact cosmossongs@yahoo.com.

—David Charlson
English Professor

KNOW YOUR COLLEGE

Is there something about the college you'd like to know but aren't certain who to ask? We'll ask for you! Send us your question and we'll get the answer! All appropriate questions and answers will be published here.

Send your question to editor@okccc.edu or call 682-1611, ext. 7675 or stop by the Pioneer, located at 2M6 of the main building.

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Thanks for playing!

Young Democrats ready for comeback

By Cole Bridges
News Writing I Student

For the first time in five semesters, OKCCC Young Democrats are expected to reorganize.

Ryan Robinson, a sophomore from Oklahoma City, has taken the responsibility for drafting the club's new constitution.

Robinson expects the constitution to be ratified in the group's first meetings. Ratification will require 10

student signatures, Robinson said.

The Young Democrats will be sponsored by Dr. Jerry Steward, professor of political science and college attorney for OKCCC.

"I will do everything I can to help the members of the Young Democrats learn about politics," Steward said.

Both Steward and Robinson agreed that students should participate in political activity, and both believe that the Young Democrats would provide this.

The primary goals of the Young Democrats include campaign support and long term party growth, Robinson said.

Steward said he hopes to enable students to become acquainted with public officials.

Student reaction to the re-emergence of the Young Democrats will be varied, Robinson said.

Students were asked how they felt about the reorganization of the Young Democrats. Broc Calvin, computer science major,

expressed support.

"I think it's about time we have a decent party step up to the line," Calvin said.

Another student expressed a different view.

"If they actually took time to look at both sides of the view, Democratic and Republican, they wouldn't be falling towards the Democratic view," said Brad Benefield.

Regardless of political agenda, Steward said politics is more than business.

"One thing I think is often overlooked is [that] it is

just a lot of fun.

"It is a lot of fun to get together with your peers and work for a cause that is bigger than yourself and just have some fun," Steward said.

An application has been submitted to Student Life in regards to their first official meeting times, which will begin in about two weeks.

Robinson invites questions or comments about the party at YD@po.okccc.edu. He said he will answer all e-mails personally.

Teleconference to educate, inform about deaf culture

By Kate Brennan
Staff Writer

OKCCC is keeping up-to-date with the technology available to deaf and hard-of-hearing students this year for Deaf Awareness Week.

The educational teleconference will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26 in college union room 2.

The teleconference is designed to improve the quality of services, such as voice recognition and video conferencing for students

who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Services are currently available at OKCCC for deaf students to assist them with their classes.

Kelly Jennings, deaf education major, said the faculty and professors at OKCCC have been helpful and understanding of her needs.

She said having an interpreter to assist her is nothing new to her.

"I've been used to having an interpreter my entire life," she said through Tammy Earl, lead interpreter at OKCCC.

"An interpreter is available during the class as well as notetakers," Earl said.

Tutoring sessions with the interpreter are also available as well as closed-captioned video sessions.

Deaf Awareness Week is Sept. 22 through 28. It's designed to educate the population in the enhancement of the social, economic and cultural lives of deaf and hard-of-hearing people, according to the National Association of the Deaf.

For more information, contact Earl at 682-1611, ext. 7768.

College earns prestigious title

OKCCC was honored recently by being named College of the Year by the Oklahoma Association of Colleges and Employers.

The college was chosen from among all of the higher education institutions that are members of OKACE.

Staci McPhearson, director of employment services for the college, said the institution was chosen for its support of the organization over the past years.

"We have really made it a priority to give back to the organization this past

year," McPhearson said.

"We volunteered to host meetings and have really supported the mission of this organization."

McPhearson served as secretary/treasurer for the association this past year.

She was also recognized for her outstanding contributions to the organization.

McPhearson was named Member of the Year and will serve as president-elect next year.

She has served on the board for three years and has been employed at OKCCC for six.

Prior to her current position, McPhearson served as the director of Student Life.

The OKACE is a state professional association comprised of employers and career services professionals committed to the development and support of the career development and employment process of the college educated workforce.

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The purpose of Deaf Awareness Week

Deaf Awareness Week serves many purposes, the main one being to educate the public about deaf people and the different services available to assist them. Below are several objectives of Deaf Awareness Week, provided by www.nad.org

- ◆ To be able to differentiate between misconception and fact about deafness and deaf culture.
- ◆ To understand the differences in attitudinal approaches to deafness by the hearing public and the deaf themselves.
- ◆ To better understand an interpreter's role.
- ◆ To learn about the types of educational programs and support services that are available to deaf persons.
- ◆ To learn relevant tips for communicating with deaf and hard-of-hearing people.
- ◆ To have a better understanding of deaf culture.

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Students show their support in remembrance of 9/11

OKCCC faculty and students showed their support and patriotism for the tragedies of Sept. 11 by participating in National Character Week at OKCCC.

Student Life handed out red, white and blue cupcakes in remembrance of the terrorist attacks. They also hung up banners so people could have the opportunity to express their feelings on paper.

OKCCC student Wendy Gaylore felt that Americans handled the anniversary of Sept. 11 with strength and compassion.

"I think the Sept. 11 anniversary was very special and heart warming because people from all over the United States expressed their support and came together as one," Gaylore said.

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship showed their devotion by having a special service to honor and pray for the nation and victims 9/11.

OKCCC student Dorin Horsfall said she found the comfort she needed during the service.

"I think that today has reminded everyone that when situations bigger than us occur, that God is our only source of strength," Horsfall said.

Chi Alpha began the service with an opening prayer, which was followed by a sermon given by the State Regional Director Greg Tiffany.

Tiffany talked about the connection many Oklahomans felt between the attacks of 9/11 and the Murrah bombing.

He spoke about the pain that many people are still enduring a year later, while inspiring people not to give in to their anguish.

"Even though it is a year later, there are a lot of people still hurting. This tragedy is ongoing and in the aftermath there are many repercussions that people still have to deal with," Tiffany said.

"But I believe there is hope in the midst of despair."

After Tiffany's speech, everyone joined in a group prayer then split up to pray in pairs.

Minh Strauss was another student who felt the service helped him come to terms with his memories of Sept. 11.

"Ever since 9/11 God has brought this nation closer together and has made us face our problems and fears by giving us strength and instilling us with hope," Strauss said.

Students might have chosen to grieve in different ways but they all agreed that Sept. 11 taught Americans the importance of coming together as a nation.



Above: OKCCC students Christen Johnson, Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship Vice President and Raina Clayton, show their support for the victims of 9/11 by praying after the service held in the theater.



Above: OKCCC students Horsfall and Strauss pray for the victims of Sept. 11. Besides the Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship service, student Life and Campus Activities Board gave away red, white and blue cupcakes and hung up the banners for students to sign in remembrance of the attacks of Sept. 11.



Above: OKCCC student Wendy Gaylore, freshman, signs one of the American Character Banners hanging in front of the Student Life Department. "I think the Sept. 11 anniversary was very special and heart-warming because people from all over the United States expressed their support and came together as one," Gaylore said.

Photos and text by Kat Mohr

Highlights

Study skills seminar for students

Gary Cohen will be holding the "Better Grades in Less Time" seminar to teach effective reading and comprehension as well as life skills that contribute to getting better grades. The seminar will be at noon, Monday, Sept. 23 in college union room 2.

Revisit the '70s with Super Freak

Super Freak will be performing at noon on Wednesday, Sept. 25 in the general dining area of the college union for a flashback to the '70s.

Come and boogie at the Decades Dance

The Decades Dance will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 27 in the college union to celebrate the 30th anniversary of OKCCC. All students are welcome. Admission is free with a student ID.

Attention faculty and staff

The September payroll checks will not be available for distribution until 9 a.m., Monday, Sept. 30.

Intramural swim events

There will be an intramural swim meet with traditional and nontraditional events from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 18 in the Aquatic Center. For more information or to sign up, visit the Wellness Center desk.

Writers and artists needed for Absolute

Submissions for Absolute, OKCCC's literary, art and photography journal, are being accepted this semester. Students and staff are encouraged to submit nonfiction, fiction, poetry, black-and-white photography and drawings. The next edition of the Absolute will be published in April. The deadline for all submissions is Dec. 1. For further information, contact the Arts and Humanities office or Clay Randolph at 682-1611, ext. 7238 or crandolph@okccc.edu.

Hospice volunteers needed

Preferred Hospice is looking for special occasion volunteers to deliver birthday presents and some holiday cheer. For more information call Patricia Kriegel, volunteer coordinator at 602-6473.

Nigh Scholarship available

The office of Prospective Student Services is currently taking applications for the George and Donna Nigh \$1,000 scholarship. Applications will be accepted until Oct. 1. To qualify the student must be a resident of Oklahoma, have a GPA of 3.2 or higher, be enrolled in a degree program that will lead to a career in public service, be enrolled at OKCCC for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester, a graduate of an Oklahoma high school and must be able to attend a required leadership academy from Thursday, Feb. 27 through Monday, March 3.

Listen to a lecture on science and art

Dr. Bulent Atalay, a physics professor for over 30 years and a member of the American Physical Society, is an expert in several topics in modern physics. His lecture "The Two Leonardos: Integrating Science and Art" will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 20 in the Daily Oklahoman Auditorium at 9000 Broadway Extension at Britton Road. Please R.S.V.P. to Melissa Vincent at mvincent515@yahoo.com.

Highlights are due by 5 p.m. each Tuesday for publication in the next issue of the Pioneer.



Photo by Kat Mohr

Strummin' some tunes: Musician and comedian Dave Rudolf entertains students with his renditions of songs and his quirky sense of humor.

Remembrance made for 9/11

Student signatures, flag buttons, prayers mark day

By Kate Brennan
Staff Writer

Students signed the American Character Week banner with prayers and compassion to give a personal touch to Sept. 11.

The office of Student Life gave students, faculty and staff a chance to speak their mind and write their thoughts for the banner. Student Life also handed out flag buttons as well as red, white and blue cupcakes to show patriotism.

Patriot's Day is the new official name for 9/11 to represent the American ideal.

"We felt like we had to do something positive, but not dwell on the subject."

—Mike Jones

Coordinator of student activities and promotions

"We felt like we had to do something positive, but not dwell on the subject," said Mike Jones, coordinator of student activities and promotions.

Students were requesting some kind of remembrance for the one-year anniversary and Jones was happy to oblige with a patriotic button and a cupcake.

A television was also positioned in the main building outside the security of-

fice for students to watch the national Sept. 11 events.

Terrorism brought a renewed sense of patriotism to the United States and Oklahoma.

"I just wanted to do something that honored the day, without dishonoring the meaning," said Jones.

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FOR SALE: Electric wheelchair carrier, fits in trailer hitch, electric operated. Also has crank in case of car battery failure, never hooked up. Paid \$1,100, will take \$800. Call Red at 634-9559.

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FOR SALE: Mid-80s Gibson Flying-V, yellow metal-flake with gold hardware, locking tremelo, & case, \$550; mid-80s Gibson Invader w/case, \$350; Carvin X-100-B, 100-watt tube amp, 2-channel, EQ, reverb, foot switch, \$350; Carvin 4-12 cabinet, \$350; Peavey 50-watt amp. 2-12 combo phase shifter, reverb foot switch, \$250; Peavey 8-chan. board w/ case, \$150. Call Nelson at 793-2774.

MISCELLANEOUS

NEEDED: Non-profit organization needs volunteers and donations. For more information visit www.GodsPreciousGifts.org.

FOR SALE: Microsoft Frontpage software. New, opened but never used. \$80 OBO. Call Marissa at 204-9414.

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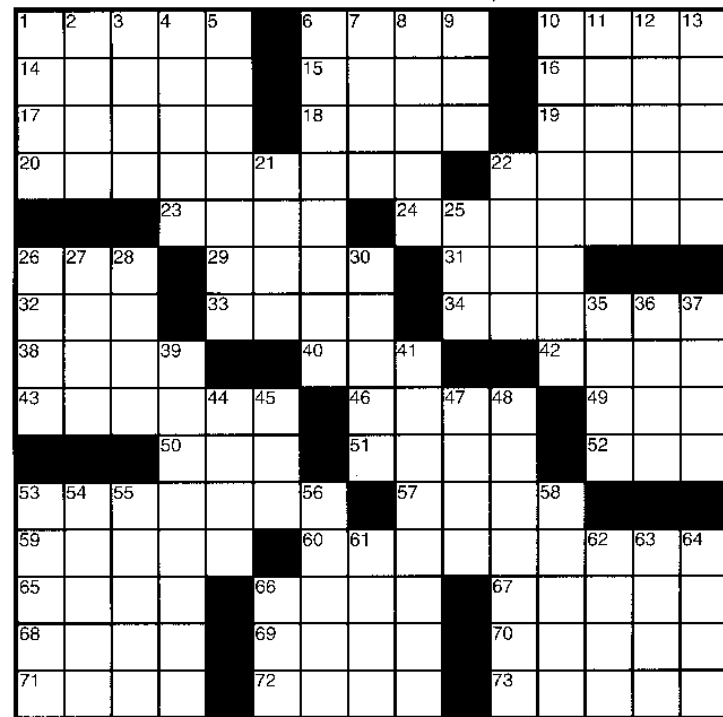
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Changes ahead for Downtown Consortium

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after a certain period of time, then it will be time for them to move out of the incubator," said Ackerman.

Ackerman said the goal is to energize the building and get it back as a focal point for the city.

"We are doing that by not only physically renovating it, but we are also doing it

by bringing the business community and the business services into the heart of it," said Ackerman.

Ackerman said the center is looking for high technology and knowledge-based businesses to use the incubator space.

Other members of the consortium are four higher education institutions — Oklahoma State University at Oklahoma City, Redlands Community College, Rose State College and the

University of Central Oklahoma.

OKCCC also formed partnerships with other business entities such as the Oklahoma Technology Commercialization Center and the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education.

The Consortium, located in the fifth floor, will relocate to the second floor after the remodeling, which could be ready anywhere from a year to 18 months.

OKCCC student wears pageant crown

"Miss Oklahoma,"
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to her. She hopes to earn a degree in film production, becoming the first from her family to get a college degree.

"I went to OU [where] they have a broadcasting department, which isn't what I really want to do.

"I am really interested in the producing and directing side of it. That's why I'm a film production major," she said.

"That way I know the background and a little of what goes on behind the scenes rather than what's just on the camera."

Head hopes to have a career in television.

She has interned in Los Angeles for E! Entertainment television and will do so again this upcoming summer.

"I will probably work in the studio there in L.A., and going on certain jobs with the new 'Wild On' host, Cindy Taylor," she said.

"I worked with [former host] Brooke Burke on three 'Wild On' shows, and so I'll be working with Cindy now."

Head said she didn't try out in the nationwide search for the new host because she wanted to focus her time on school and fulfill her obligations as Miss Oklahoma 2002.

For Head, being Miss Oklahoma has been a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

"I do things from working charity events, raising money for certain charities, speaking at colleges and

schools, emceeing a lot of events and judging a lot of smaller beauty pageants," she said.

Some of the events she helps out with include Special Olympics and Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City.

"I speak a lot to kids about the importance of setting goals and the importance of having friends and trying to be involved in as many activities in school as possible," said Head.

She said encouraging kids to be active helps keep them busy and out of trouble.

Head also spoke out on Breast and Ovarian Cancer awareness, since it is the platform for the Miss USA pageant.

Head was awarded the Miss Oklahoma USA crown Nov. 16 during the annual

pageant.

Head was awarded cash, a scholarship, a fur coat and numerous other prizes for being crowned Miss Oklahoma 2002.

Although she knew what was in store for her after winning the pageant, she said her life has been nothing but a whirlwind since winning the crown.

"It was a lot more than what I expected," she said. "I knew it was going to be a job, but I looked at it more as 'Oh I'm Miss Oklahoma, I get to do whatever I want,' but no, it's not like that.

"I don't have the freedom I used to have, because it is so involved, but I love it," said Head.

Head will regain some of her freedom when she gives up her title this December and helps crown the new Miss Oklahoma for 2003.

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"It's been an incredible year, and I have grown so much with my experiences as Miss Oklahoma," she said. "I am going to miss it a lot."

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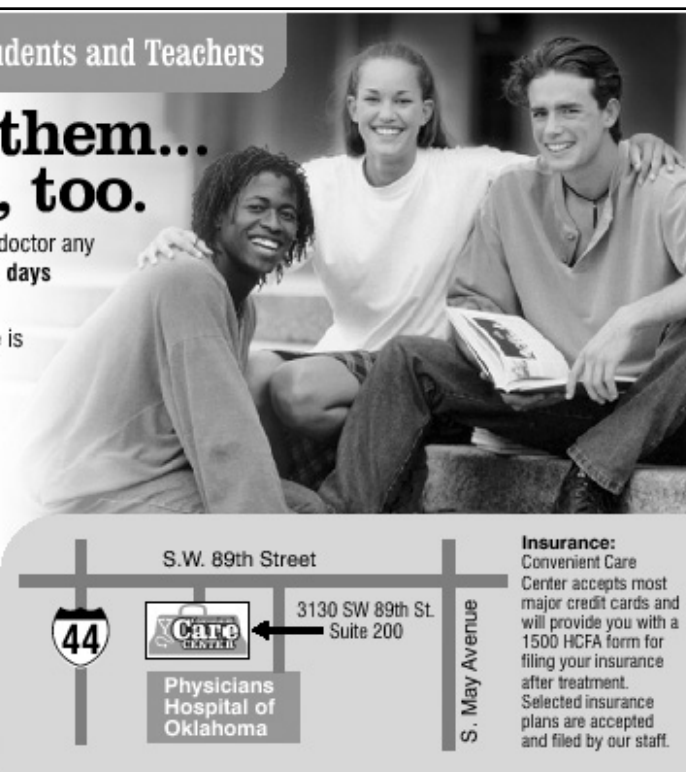
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