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Lazy Days of Summer: Brothers Jaime, left, and Gerardo Lopez fish in a drainage culvert located near the May Avenue entrance to the college. The brothers, who live near the college, report catching several small fish and one unfortunate turtle.

# Students share tuition views with state regents

with the increase.

### **By Daniel Lapham** Editor

**\** ollege students from ✓ around the state had the opportunity to express their views on the possible tuition increase at the recent Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education public hearing.

Two-year colleges and regional universities in the state are projecting about a 10-percent increase while comprehensive universities such as the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University are looking at a 20- to 25-percent increase for in-state students, according to a recent Daily Oklahoman article.

Most of the students attending the hearing agree

"We know that without [an increase in] tuition and fees, we will face layoffs of faculty and staff and cuts in services," said Kyden Creekpaum, OU student.

Students from OU, Northeastern State University and OSU were among those who attended.

One student expressed his appreciation to the board for allowing students to speak out.

"We, as students, are now being able to speak to the board about this issue," said Chris Kannady, graduate student at the OU School of Business.

OU student Trevor Tulleous said, while it may be necessary to increase tuition, there must be accountability in place to ensure the funds are used appropriatelv "Accountability must be

kept by the State Regents' and other institutions around the state," he said. OSU student Stephanie Griffith said she hoped the increase would be low.

"We are willing to [accept a tuition increase], she said.

"We just ask that you keep it as low as possible."

Another OU student said she believes university faculty and staff have made enough sacrifices by not receiving raises in the past couple of years.

"The faculty and staff of our universities have been doing their part," said Vanessa Feisal.

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# Safety expert, former fireman joins regents

Chappell says he's ready to serve the college

By Daniel Lapham Editor

C elf-proclaimed "100 percent south-sider" Ed  $\mathbf{O}$  Chappell is ready to take his place on the OKCCC board of Regents. Chappell will replace former regent Darrell McAllister whose recent move outside of the district made him ineligible to serve.

Chappell, 61, was appointed as an OKCCC regent by Gov. Brad Henry on May 12. The senate confirmed his appointment May 21.

OKCCC president Bob Todd said Chappell is an excellent choice for the position.

"He is an individual who is very much committed to the community and public service," Todd said.

Chappell, who has lived in South Oklahoma City his entire life, said he is excited to serve his community.

"...I want the college to continue to be the best," Chappell said.

He said he has a history with the college, having taken

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# Reduced hours to save college \$50K

### **By Cole Bridges Staff Writer**

n an attempt to further

I reduce college expenses, many areas of the college will close at noon on Fridays June 9 through Aug. 2.

The move will save the college \$50,000 in security, utility and personal costs said President Bob Todd.

College offices will be operating 7:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday.

The change will cause the services traditionally provided by the Information Technology Lab and Test Center to be relocated to the library, which will remain open until 5 p.m. on Fridays and operate from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Students needing to test on Friday afternoons or Saturdays will be able to take their tests in the library.

Testing in the library will

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# Editorial and Opinion \_\_\_\_\_\_ Screenplay contest winner chosen

### <u>Editorial</u>

# Freedom of speech bears responsibility

The American Coalition of Life Activists is currently in a legal battle with Planned Parenthood.

According to an article from the Associated Press, the Bush administration urged the Supreme Court not to accept the case, which is being appealed to the Supreme Court.

The Coalition is claiming the protection of free speech from lawsuits that have been filed against a group of activists they are representing. Planned Parenthood has sued the activists for nearly \$110 million in punitive damages.

According to the AP, Planned Parenthood is representing a group of doctors in the suit, who were afraid for their well being after three other doctors were murdered in the '90s.

The physicians that sued the anti-abortion activists were pictured on a series of Old West-style wanted posters similar to the posters that the three doctors who were killed were listed on.

When standing up for what one believes in becomes urban terrorism and murder, how can that be right?

It is understandable and should be expected for a person to stand up intelligently, peaceably and lawfully for their morals and values.

But, when what that person believes becomes a danger to the lives of others because their values disagree with the other individual's morals, there is no excuse for these actions, and this is when the law should step in.

Freedom of speech is one of our most valuable rights, but there is a point when it is abused. When one person's speech places another in mortal danger, the speaker should not be allowed to hide behind free speech protections.

A lower court ruled in favor of the physicians in the lawsuit. This shows that there was evidence supporting the doctor's claims.

Yet another disturbing fact the AP reported was the web site that was set up named the "Nuremberg Files" after the Nuremberg trial of Nazi war criminals.

The web site had lists of doctor's names with their home addresses, phone numbers and other personal information.

This is the very reason why there are laws concerning libel, slander and defamation of character.

It is tremendously important to stand up for what one believes in and use every extent of the right to free speech, but with freedom comes responsibility.

When one chooses to use their freedoms in an irresponsible way that harms others, they must be prepared to accept the consequences.

-By Daniel Lapham Editor

### To the Editor:

"The Siren's Call," an original script by Oklahoma City screenwriter Linda McDonald, took the grand prize in the first annual Oklahoma Film Institute screenplay competition.

McDonald's script was chosen over 14 other well written submissions to our contest and was selected for its plot originality, structure, dialogue and its cinematic sensibilities.

It will be a perfect fit with the plans and direction of this year's intensive Master Workshop, Film Institute.

Receiving honorable mention in the script contest was "Shawn Rose," by Betty L. Powers and "Bogus Bride," by Ron Collier.

This year's Oklahoma Film Institute, scheduled from July 14 through Aug. 1, will offer students hands-on filmmaking education that rivals similar programs on either coast.

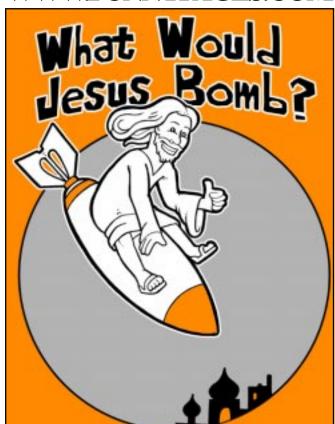
By using state-of-the-art filmmaking and editing equipment, and employing some of the top professionals in the Hollywood community as instructors for short, overlapping intensive workshops, our students will receive unprecedented, exciting film production training.

The editor of the "Back to the Future" films will lead the editing courses. The camera workshops will be taught by the cinematographer of films such as "I Am Sam" and "Legally Blonde 2." The assistant director of the "Terminator" films will be one of the instructors for the production component of the institute.

Other storied film professionals will be named to the institute's faculty as the start date nears. We are looking forward to having true "Hollywood heavyweights" lead our workshops, allowing the students real first-hand knowledge of what today's film industry and filmmaking is all about. It's going to be great!

Like our film institutes of the past, we will spend a week each on pre-production, production and editing. A student may take one, two or all three weeks of the course.

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Space is limited so that all enrolled may enjoy the hands-on experience offered.

For more information about the 2003 Oklahoma Film Institute, call 405-682-7847 or visit www. okccc.edu/ofi.

> —Fritz Kiersch Executive director of the Oklahoma Film Institute

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## **Comments and Reviews**

'The Italian Job' gets an A

While most of us are relaxing and enjoying our summer, new movies are coming out one right after the other.

A must see this summer that will be sure to bring you the fun and excitement you want is "The Italian Job."

John Bridger (Donald Sutherland), an experienced thief, leads a gang of five other members to steal \$35 million worth of gold bars from a safe in Venice without any weapons. His skillful team includes Charlie (Mark Wahlberg), Steve (Edward Norton), Lyle (Seth Green), Handsome Rob (Jason Statham) and Left-Ear (Mos Def).

Charlie plans each and every strategy involved in their plans. Lyle is a computer genius who insists he invented Napster but it was stolen by his roommate. Left-Ear is a master in blowing up things.

Even though the team successfully escapes Venice with all the gold, Steve betrays them and murders John, father of Stella (Charlize Theron).

One year later. Charlie and other guys are able to track down Steve and find out he is staying in Los Angeles. Charlie was able to convince Stella, a 'legal' safecracker, to help them make the revenge and get their gold back.

Mini Coopers are the most exciting part of this movie. Stella drives one and then there will be two more because the team realizes the size of the Mini Coopers allows them to drive through very narrow spaces. Under the manipulation of Lyle, the little cars can show off their skills even more when there are green lights all the way through LA's traffic jam. The cars even drive down the stairs and onto the tracks of the subway.

After watching this film, you'll wish you could drive a Mini Cooper right away.

The chase, the cars, and the music just make you feel that you're in the Mini Cooper with them. The hilarious dialogue is another great element that'll make you laugh pretty much all the way. The characters for the roles are carefully chosen and the roles suit them as well.

When I was watching this film, it was a weekday night and the theater was filled with young crowds. The film made many viewers cheer and clap. They cheered for each awesome escape the team was about to make, and they clapped whenever a funny or witty line was said.

Forget about the gold. Remain focused on the Mini Coopers and the dialogues.

"The Italian Job" is presented by Paramount Pictures and directed by F. Gary Gray. The film is written by Donna Powers and Wayne Powers, and is based on a film written by Troy Kennedy Martin.

It is rated PG-13, for violence and some strong language.

-By Caroline Ting **Staff Writer** 



Life goes by, day in, day out, the perpetuation of one's self-made life cycle that becomes the routine of day-to-day life.

The vortex of life has shifted into a new beginning. From this day on, "Penelope's Point" is gone. You have now entered Shaggy's World.

Now life can be viewed through the eyes of another. In a world so complex and subjective to every individual's view, one cannot help but wonder how truly does another individual view everyday life. What questions of philosophy are discussed when your back is turned? Well, fret not. Life at OKCCC now has a new perspective.

My good friend, Inner Logic, posed a question to me today worthy of some thought.

He asked, "As fast as our lives move, does anything really happen in present tense? Does the present really exist?'

Pondering this question in my conscious mind I have come to the conclusion that the present must exist; however, not in the present but in the future.

Past, present and future are the three terms mankind uses to make sense of and define the movement of our lives from birth to death. By using these terms it is easy to explain, or at least rationalize, the past, and it is equally easy to understand that the future does exist simply because it has not happened yet.

There is a past that exists in memory and a future that exists in dreams, but how can there be a present when we are constantly moving from the past into the future.

The present is the attempt to explain the exact point at which a thought is indeed an action that ignites simultaneously as the world shifts from the future to the past.

The secret to our actions in the future is held in the past, and the present is the vehicle we use to get from that past to the future.

parently criminal boyfriend.

In a fit of rage she manages to rob a bank, win \$100,000 at a casino, discover that she does not belong to her father, save her boyfriend, save herself, kill her acquaintance, and meet a happy ending.

After a few minutes of watching, a viewer is encompassed by this movie's stranger-than-fiction story line and provoking thought content. Still, the German

language and English subtitles further the excitement that the movie provides.

The enlightening substance and thrilling editing techniques in "Run Lola Run" will surely excite and mystify any viewer. It is a must-see for any serious, or just curious, movie watcher.

"Run Lola Run" is rated R and has a run time of 81 minutes.

> -By Cole Bridges **Staff Writer**

# Movie reflects alternate endings

I never really consider how my mindless actions affect others. I never take time to realize that everything is just a theory – but the movie "Run Lola Run" does.

As I sit in front of the large, magnetic screen, I feel myself running down a spiraling staircase as Lola (Franka Potente) runs down it. I feel myself contemplating my aimless actions and wondering what

will happen to those people I simply cross on the street.

"Run Lola Run" easily makes a viewer consider these things, which are more often than not never afforded cognitive time. Lola, who is attempting to obtain \$100,000, isn't having much luck.

With each failure she reorganizes the past as the camera angles and fast zooms are sure to impress an experienced film buff.

Each person she passes on the street, as she quickly runs, is given a brief, and sometimes upsetting, future.

The film begins with a fast zoom into Lola's room where she manages to throw her phone in the air and perfectly land it back on the hook, where her screams shatter glass, and where she is caught in an argumentative dialogue on the telephone with her ap-

## **Quote of the Week:**

"The long time to come when I shall not exist has more effect on me than this short present time, which nevertheless seems endless.

**Marcus Tullius Cicero** 

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# Prof receives award for 15-year success

### By Daniel Lapham Editor

After 15 years of teaching at OKCCC, professor Gwin Faulconer-Lippert, has been presented with the OKCCC President's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

She teaches mass media communications.

Faulconer-Lippert said she was honored to be put into a category with other individuals who have been recognized as exceptional teachers and have inspired her to be an inspiration to others.

"I am extremely grateful and very humbled."

Faulconer-Lippert began her relationship with OKCCC in the mid-80s when she was hired to do public relations work for the college.

"I was originally hired here to do a TV show. It was called "Connecting."

She said it was a 30minute show every Monday



about the college."

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college since the beginning.

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Faulconer-Lippert said.

"At the end of that con-

Photo courtesy OKCCC PR

video.'

spired by what these people said about teaching that I decided I wanted to be a college professor."

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This has been a great semester for Faulconer-Lippert, she said, because of the opportunities for students to be a part of several community services projects such as the Korean War Memorial.

She said she is grateful for all of the oppor-

tunities she has been given to get her students involved and watch them succeed.

Faulconer-Lippert said the only reason she is where she is today is because other people saw the potential in her that she sees in her students.

"The reason I am here is because a whole bunch of people did for me what I try to do for my students."

Susan VanSchuyver, dean of the division of Arts and Humanities, believes that Faulconer-Lippert is an exemplary professor. "Gwin is an excellent instructor. She is more than deserving of this award," VanSchuyver said. "She always goes the extra mile and I think any student that takes a class from her is lucky."

# Retired sociology professor dies

By Caroline Ting Staff Writer

James Patrick "Pat" Barker, retired professor of Sociology, died on May 8, 2003. He was 67.

Barker had taught corrections at OKCCC for 27 years. He was not only a dedicated professor but also a person with great characters, his colleagues said.

Psychology professor Martha George shared a long-time friendship with Barker for more than 20 years. "He was one of my dearest friends," George said.

She said in Barker's later years, he suffered from severe health difficulties, which was the reason he had to retire in 2002.

George said she remembers Barker's contributions to the college while he was still teaching.

Barker purchased uniforms for the faculty intramural basketball team, gave generous donations to student scholarships and the College Foundation, served as Faculty Association chair four times, gave countless hours of volunteer efforts and mentored his students including those who had already graduated.

"We've always missed [Barker] greatly, and we will continue to do so," George said.

### Ray McCullar, professor of history, was a close friend of Barker's for 24 years. He said Barker had many hobbies such as sailing, playing basketball and volleyball, traveling and appreciating movies. Barker had one dog and two cats and he liked them equally.

McCullar also said Barker was a very caring and giving person. "There are many students who will never forget [Barker]."

John Hughes, political science professor who had been Barker's supervisor for six years, said he was sorry to learn of Barker's death. He said Barker was a very helpful and thoughtful person with a good sense of humor. Hughes described Barker as well traveled and well read.

Hughes said Barker was a very hard-working person, who taught as many classes as he could.

"[Barker]'s one of the good guys," Hughes said, "I enjoyed knowing him."

According to the Pioneer's early issues, which dates back on June 11 and Sept. 10, 1979, Barker developed a talkback television teaching program to benefit prison inmate. The lessons were broadcast live and the students could see and communicate with the instructor but the professor could not see the students. He also arranged tours for students to visit different prisons in Oklahoma.

Several years ago, McCullar said, Barker connected to his biological families, which was pleasant for him. Barker had been adopted as a child.

Barker was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy (Harding) Barker, his son Sean Patrick Barker and his parents, James and Josephine Barker.

According to the Daily Oklahoman, Barker is survived by many other family members as well as his caregiver, Phyllis Rodgers.

# Nurses get pinned at ceremony

### By Caroline Ting Staff Writer

The Pinning Ceremony, a tradition for nursing graduates, was held May 16 on campus. All 41 graduates gathered in the College Union with their friends and families to celebrate their completion of the twoyear nursing program.

"[The Pinning Ceremony] is different from the commencement for the entire college," said nursing professor Connie Kuebeck.

The ceremony recognizes the graduates by conferring pins on their nursing uniforms, which designates the institution where the students completed their studies.

"I'm really excited," graduate Delores Miranda said, "I'm ready to go to work..." Debra Lail, Miranda's twin sister, said she loves Miranda very much and she's "proud of [her]," and she'd been bragging about her all day long.

Graduate Audrey Smith said: "[I am] excited, thrilled and glad it's over." She also said the ceremony was emotional and she did have teary eyes but they didn't make her cry.

A short film produced by the students was shown during the ceremony. The film included numerous photos of class memories, which the students had shared with each other and the nursing faculty.

"I feel relieved," graduate Elizabeth Grupe said. She also encouraged other nursing students to just "keep on working" and "[they]'ll make it."

Grupe, Miranda and Smith all have plans to start working first and then pursue further nursing education for higher degrees in the near future.

A reception followed immediately after the ceremony. It was hosted by the OKCCC Student Nurses' Association, sponsored by nursing professors Nancy Cook and Kuebeck. Everyone took the chance to continue their celebration and also congratulate one another during the reception.

"This has been an extraordinary and unique class," Kuebeck said.

"There will be a lot of successful people that will come out of this class, and I expect to be reading about them and their accomplishments in their career."

Kuebeck also said that she hopes to hear from every nursing student after graduation, and they are encouraged to ask for any help or advice they need.

# Highlights

### **Business Seminar**

"Streetwise Promotions for Small Business" will be held Thursday, July 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Topics covered will include the media, special events, and announcements. For enrollment information contact the Training Center at (405) 682-7562.

### Lives worthy of convictions

Paul Loeb, author of "Soul of a Citizen: Living with Conviction in a Cynical Time," will be speaking from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the University of Central Oklahoma on Wednesday, Aug. 13. The theme of the speech will include why citizens do or do not get involved in social issues and how to live lives worthy of convictions. Those interested in attending should send their name and summer address to jgeren@osrhe.edu.

### Strategies for retirement

Financial advisement for retirement will be available, for free, between 6:30 and 8 p.m. at the Southern Oaks Library Tuesday, June 24 and Thursday, June 26. Ted J. Hughes, executive vice-president of Retirement Investment Advisors, Inc., will speak about avoiding tax traps, diversifying investments, and beating inflation. Reservations are required and can be obtained by calling (405) 842-3443.

#### **Civic minded website**

Vocal Oklahomans in Civic Engagement (VOICE), a campaign to involve more Oklahomans in civic engagement, is sponsoring a web site in hopes to do so. Www.okvoice.org will allow Oklahoma colleges and universities to post civic activities online, and it will include an option for students to register and participate in online forums. Links to other student organizations and universities will also be available through the new site. For more information contact Jennifer Geren at (405) 225-9128.

#### **Tuition information**

Tuition fee waiver applications are available in the Student Financial Aid Center. Applications will not be accepted after 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, 2003. Application status can be checked at the Financial Aid Office. For more information call Student Financial Support Services at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7524.

### **Scholarship Information**

The deadline for the William P. Willis Scholarship is Friday, June 13. Applicants must have an income of \$32,000 or less and be enrolled full-time for fall and spring at OKCCC. The deadline for the Southeast High School Alumni Scholarship is Sunday, July 15. Applicants must have graduated from Southeast High School. For more information about these scholarships contact Enrollment Management at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7584

#### "Teenline" volunteers

The Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services will be training students for "Teenline" on Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7. The program is a confidential line for young people to call who need to talk about their problems. Training includes subjects such as conflict resolution and relationships. For more information contact Geddes at (405) 522-3835.



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**Scholarship winners:** Student Development Scholarships were awarded to two students this past semester. Pictured above are, from left, Ed Williams, student development counselor; Mary Turner, coordinator of student support services; Dulce Molina, scholarship recipient; Anita Smart-Abbey, scholarship recipient; Linda Coggeshall, student development counselor; Peggy Jordan, student development counselor; and Claire Echols, student development counselor.

# New website made for clubs

By Cole Bridges Staff Writer

The Office of Student Development is creating a website that allows student organizations to submit entire request forms over the Internet rather than partially on the Internet and partially on paper.

The new site, which will also include a calendar showing what events specific organizations are having, should be completed by August, said Director of Student Life Liz Largent.

"Instead of having one big form, [the site] is a bunch of little parts put together," said Student Activities Assistant Adam Benson, who is designing the paperless form.

The site is expected to create ease for students filling out request forms. Forms must be completed for everything from taking a trip to San Antonio to having a meeting, said Benson.

The current forms, student activity request forms, are lacking in various ways, including not always asking for the right information, Benson said. "Instead of having one big form, [the site] is a bunch of little parts put together," —Adam Benson Student Activities Assistant

The new Internet form is "...made to only ask the questions that you need," said Benson.

The site is designed to catch errors.

Beyond a smart design and asking only necessary questions, the site also contains a dialogue box for students to type other requests. Largent said that the new site will save time for the students.

"I think it will decrease the amount of time students have to spend making those requests, and I think it will improve accuracy," Largent said.

For more information contact Largent at 682-1611, ext. 7596

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# New regent named to college board

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advantage of some of the college's athletic programs in the past.

"In the early '90s I took level one, two and three tennis classes at the college," Chappell said.

Chappell was an Oklahoma City firefighter for 20 years, owner of Chappell Electric Company for 13 years and currently holds the position of operations chief for the Office of the Oklahoma State Fire Marshal.

Chappell has checked out most of the state colleges on matters of safety over the past 13 years in the Fire Marshal's office. He said safety is his specialty and he hopes to bring his own perspective on the issues facing the college as a member of the Board of Regents.

Chappell also brings with him years of business and financial planning experience.

"I am very conservative when it comes to budget planning," Chappell said.

Chappell is ready to jump in with both feet.

"I think Dr. Todd has done a great job as president of the college and I am excited to support him."



## Tuition to increase; funding decrease

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"Now it's time for the students to step up."

In a report at the May 12 Committee of the Whole OKCCC Board of Regents meeting, Paul Sechrist, provost/vice president for Academic Affairs, said OKCCC is facing a proposed tuition increase for fiscal year 2004 of between 9 and 12 percent.

"That's close to the amount the college will lose in state funding," said college president Bob Todd.

"We know the state appropriations will be less than they were last year, probably somewhere a-

round 10 percent less than last year.

"[We hope it's] a little less than 10 percent but it will be less than we were appropriated last year," Todd said.

According to State Regent figures, higher education budget cuts have reached nearly \$70 million in the last two years.

## OKCCC Friday building hours adjusted

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occur from 1 p.m. through 5 p.m. on Fridays and from 9 a.m. through 5 p.m. on Saturdays. Students can schedule a testing appointment through the Office of Student Development's web site at www.okccc .edu/studentdevelopment/ ExamRequest.html. Appointments also can be made before 10 a.m. on the Friday a student wants to test at the Office of Career and Assessment Services. Even with the reduced hours, Todd said he is confident the value of student education will not decline.

"The college will continue to provide quality educational services to students and the community."

The change is temporary Todd said. He said the college has adequate resources for the next fiscal year's operation and that more reduced hours are unlikely.

"However, if the state continues to experience significant revenue shortfall as we have this year, it may be necessary to make additional adjustments."

Some areas of the college will remain open Friday afternoons. They are: the library, open until 5 p.m; the AC Delco Center, open until 5 p.m.; and the Child Development Center, which will remain open until 5:45 p.m. The Aquatics and Wellness Center will be open until 6:30 p.m.



