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Photo by Keah Roggow

Club brothers: Tim Moser and Blake Taylor worship together during a Chi Alpha meeting. Moser is the club's vice president. The club meets each Wednesday at noon in CU7 in the college union.

President Todd asked to serve another term

By Daniel Lapham Editor

OKCCC President Bob Todd has job security for an other year. The Board of Regents voted on Aug. 18 to renew his contract through June 2005.

College Regent Ed Chappell said he believes Todd is doing a remarkable job.

"What impressed [the board] is the outstanding job Dr. Todd has done handling the state's budget crisis."

Chappell said he could probably learn some "tricks" from Todd that would help him handle the same budget crisis as chief of operations for the State Fire Marshal's Office.

"The morale of the staff is top notch," Chappell said. "I think this reflects very positively upon Dr. Todd's leadership."

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Fall enrollment rises by 11%

Increase translates to 1,145 additional students

By Daniel Lapham Editor and Caroline Ting Staff Writer

Parking lots and hallways may seem more packed than in semesters past. Well, they are.

OKCCC fall enrollment is up by 11.3 percent this semester, which converts to 1,145 additional faces on campus, said Annmarie Shirazi, dean of planning and institutional effectiveness. In addition to the increased head count, credit hours are up by 11.6 percent converting to 10,599 credit hours. This is an average of nine credit hours per student.

Shirazi said these numbers are preliminary and subject to change until Sept. 13 at the earliest. The reason for this, she said, is that for the first couple of weeks, students are adding and dropping classes so it's nearly impossible to have an exact number.

"I would expect these numbers to increase when everything settles down," Sharazi said.

Bob Todd, OKCCC president, is excited about the increase in students

because of the potential future impact it will have on the community and state.

"I [feel] very positive looking at these numbers because it means that more people have the opportunity to get their college degree," Todd said.

"I'm not in this thing for the numbers of people enrolled in classes and that sort of thing. It's a means to an end. The end is more people getting their college degree and, in turn, positively impacting the economy of the community, state and nation.

"In order for the economy to increase, we must have new students and graduates," Todd said.

Students have their own views of the enrollment boom. More students equals a clogged system, they say.

Amanda Rahmes, pre-nursing major, said she has been trying to get in a nutrition class for three semesters and still hasn't had any luck.

"[The college should] have more classes at night, for those of us who work full time," she said.

Pre-engineering student Dungk

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OKCCC professionals drive home value of an education

By Caroline Ting Staff Writer

Higher education is probably not the first career choice students would always consider. But when administrators and professors talk about their recommendations and job experiences, students might start to see higher education with a different attitude.

Professors and administrators interviewed by the Pioneer said their jobs are challenging and rewarding.

Dean of Arts and Humanities Susan VanSchuyver has held her position for six years. Becoming an administrator at OKCCC requires at least a master's degree as well as some teaching and leadership experiences she said.

"There really isn't any part [of my job] that I don't like," VanSchuyver said.

She said that she and division staffers have to schedule classes, hire new professors, make sure there's enough equipment, help students with enrollment problems and financial aid, provide reports for the regents, add or change programs for the curriculum and perform other administrative work.

As a dean, VanSchuyver's contract is year round, whereas a faculty's would be for nine months, according to the

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Editorial and Opinion _____

Editorial

Generation O

An epidemic is rising within children. Obesity is at an all time high affecting 16 percent of all children nationwide.

Researchers did a study at Massachusetts' public schools where schools weighed and checked the fitness level of the children. They sent home health report cards at the end of the year randomly to parents including those with normal weight. The schools also sent home daily health tips about physical activity, healthy food and healthy living in general. Over 1,300 students were studied at Cambridge Elementary School.

Researchers found their study successful in informing parents about their childrens' weight. Parents who were informed about their children's weight knew what their children's exact weight was so they could monitor it better, said the researchers.

Children should be more physically active. There is so much lazy entertainment in our society now that the kiddos don't need to play. Maybe they use their fingers to play X-Box or change the channels on the television. This is only recent too. Ten years ago, children were out of the house everyday and playing video games only an hour a week. Today children have so much energy and don't use it.

Parents are so busy working all the time that they can't pay attention to their children. A Philadelphia Inquirer found that most women working were working in low paid jobs which would probably mean that they have to work more.

Health report cards would be a reinforcement to children to have fun outside on their bicycles or climbing trees, with the motivation of their parents. Twelve states mostly on the East Coast are now requiring screen testing on health problems at school. It is likely it will work for Oklahoma.

This idea might cause problems in that people don't know the long term effects it might have on the children. The study reported that some of the obese children were "uneasy" about the report cards. It might be making children insecure at too early of an age. The last thing America needs is another show like "Extreme Makeovers."

Even with that said, America could reduce obesity population by teaching elementary students health and nutrition classes. If we start them off nutritionally well informed, it could lead to lifetime health results. We need to stop it now before the epidemic escalates.

—Lacey Lett Staff Writer

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Preparation comes with reward

To the editor:

The semester is off to a good start. The Center for Student Development has Counselors to assist students in academic planning, career planning and personal counseling. We have information that can help students reach their goals.

A scholarship is offered through The Center for Student Development for first time, full time students. Two scholarships, each \$250, will be awarded in December 2003.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be in his or her first semester in college and be enrolled as a full time student, which is 12 college credit hours. To apply for a First Year Success Scholarship, students must attend a First Year Success Workshop. These workshops will be held throughout the semester, but scholarship applicants are required to attend only one.

First Year Success Workshops will be held at noon on Tuesday, Sept. 9 and 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12.

Scholarship recipients will be determined by earning the highest number of Success Points. Students can earn Success Points by joining a college club or organization, attending college events, completing a Career Decision-Making Portfolio or meeting with a faculty adviser.

Research on college success reports that students who are attached to their college and get involved in college activities earn higher grades and are less likely to drop out of college than those who are only on campus during class times.

Although the First Year Success Program is barely a year old, our results parallel the literature. All participants in the Fall 2002 First Year Success Program completed an average of 27 semester hours with a 3.5 average grade point. Students who participated in the Spring 2003 First Year Success Program completed an average of 15 hours with a 3.3 average grade point.

Those who earned schol-

arships in the program had a 3.7 grade point average. If you are interested in the scholarship or know of someone who is interested, you can get more information from The Center for Student Development located on the first floor of the main building, across from Admissions and Records or call 682-7535.

—Peggy Jordan Student Development Counselor

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MEETS THE JEHOVAH WITNESS

Comments and Reviews

Another dose of teen angst

"It's a bird, it's a plane..." No, wait, wrong comic. "Holy Bat Cave, Batman!" Oops, wrong one again.

"Jeepers Creepers 2" flew into theaters Aug. 29. Written and directed by Victor Salva, the film stars Ray Wise and Jonathan Breck as the Creeper.

Not having seen the first "Jeepers Creepers," this one can't really be compared. So today it stands alone. Well, OK, not really. If you've seen any of the modern teenage angst pseudo-horror flicks then you've pretty much seen them all. You know the same worn out story line with a predictable twist every time.

A group of high school jocks and/or misfits hang out together. Then something weird happens, like they hit a guy with their car or for no reason at all bad kids all of a sudden become perfect citizens. No, wait, maybe it's different, like a sudden killing spree by a madman with a knife. No, this one's totally different.

In "Jeepers Creepers 2" the high school kids are riding back home from a football game and some creepy bat guy attacks their bus. Man, good thing you didn't see that one coming.

All-in-all, if you want a vacation from all rational thought and a chance to laugh at teenagers, then go to a high school football game.

But, if you want to watch a movie that has already been made at least five times with different actors and scripts then definitely go see "Jeepers Creepers 2."

This film is rated R and I'm not sure why, but it probably has something to do with all of the decapitation. Enjoy!

Oh yeah, the rest of the cast consists of a busload of high school jocks, their girlfriends and a few teachers played by these guys: Eric Nenninger, Garikayi Mutambirwa, Nicki Aycox, Diane Delano, Billy Aaron Brown, Marieh Delfino, Thom Gossom Jr. and Lena Cardwell. Al Santos, Kasan Butcher, Tom Tarantini, Travis Schiffner, Josh Hammond, Drew Tyler Bell, Luke Edwards and Justin Long as Darry Jenner.

> —Daniel Lapham Editor

'03 football season hits state

The most wonderful time of the year is upon us. Some think it is the fall, others believe it is the cooler temperatures that come with it, but, no, it is football season.

The first full weekend of college football was last weekend and it was a great one. The first weekend of professional football is coming up this weekend.

The first weekend of NCAA football provided a lot of great games and upsets. The most startling upset was University of Southern California beating very heavily favored Auburn at home.

The No. 5 ranked Texas Longhorns tore up New Mexico State. Miami ripped through Louisiana Tech and made it look easy. Fourteenth ranked Maryland was upset by Northern Illinois. Yes, I said Northern Illinois. The game went overtime and the Wolf Pack won.

The defending national champs, Ohio State, got off to a good start beating the nineteenth ranked Washington Huskies. What a great start considering the absence Ohio State's starting running back Maurice Clarrett.

Here in the great state of Oklahoma, football started up as well.

It looks like a rocky start for Tulsa University, who lost pretty badly to Minnesota on Saturday.

One of the biggest games this weekend turned sour when Oklahoma State University lost to Nebraska. It was a good game, but the Cowboys had too many turnovers to win in Lincoln. OU had a great game

against some little high school team from Texas. Just kidding. They really are a college team, but on that note, high school football is starting this week with the traditional rivalries of the Moore War, Norman vs. Norman North and Putnam City schools.

Now, more on the college field. It is time for the bold prediction of the big game this weekend between OU and Alabama. I am taking Alabama by two. OU is not a good road team. They will have to win this game to prove that wrong.

Just being ranked No. 1 isn't going to give them the win, but playing their best game will and OU has not done that yet. I won't be surprised if they win the game, but lets be realistic.

-Brent Hodges Staff Writer

Quote of the Week:

"Look and you will find it — what is unsought will go undetected."

-Sophocles



Waking up on an average weekday morning, I pick

The president's babbling something about there still being weapons of mass destruction somewhere in Iraq. The Palestinians are demanding recognition as a state while down the street some guy just robbed a bank and some other guy's picture is on the news because he disappeared then later police find out he was on vacation.

up the newspaper and begin to read.

After I watched the controversial documentary "Bowling For Columbine" by film-maker Michael Moore, the sensationalism of mainstream media hit me. In the film Moore points out many circumstances surrounding the high school shootings in Littleton, Colo., and the shooting of a 6-year-old girl by a 6-year-old boy in Moore's Michigan hometown. He even spoke with James Nichols of Oklahoma City bombing fame.

Moore brings up many disturbing points in this film. Pointing out his view of the NRA's "fanatical" view on gun rights, of which he is a lifetime member. He also conducts an interview with the public relations director of the Lockheed Martin manufacturing plant in Denver concerning their production of military weapons.

The most interesting point brought out by Moore in this film, was Moore's view that the press sensationalized the stories and thus increased fear in a country that was founded on fear.

This brings up a contraversial issue that is very personal to me (I'm a journalist). I cannot walk very far or talk to many people without hearing someone blame the press for our society's problems. People keep complaining about the sensationalism of the press.

On one side you've got the Democrats screaming that the press is too conservative and slanted to the agenda of the right wing. Then on the other side you've got the Republicans screaming the same thing, that the media is slanted toward the left wing liberal view.

As a journalist who is also a passivist and quite non-violent, I have been looking at this criticism of the mass media and trying to figure out who has a valid point and who is just ranting about nothing in particular.

The job of a journalist is to inform the public, be a watch dog, provide a forum — and entertain.

The fact of the matter is that if the people watching the news were not sucked in and entertained by sensationalism, the networks would not have to fight to uncover the most sensational story. One of Moore's main points in the movie was that the media in the United States may be greatly contributing to the rise in gun deaths in this country. The bottom line to this dilema is if you don't want sensationalism in the news, don't buy into it. Stand up for what you believe. Turn off the TV. Leave the National Inquirer in the rack.

—Daniel Lapham
Editor

Local musician to kick off cultural series

By Lacey Lett Staff Writer

Vocalist Marilyn Govich will perform at OKCCC's 7th annual Cultural Awareness Series with a composition from Broadway called, "The Songs of a New Generation of Musical Theatre Composers" at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 16 in the OKCCC theater.

Govich is the coordinator of Vocal Studies at the University of Central Oklahoma and was recently honored as a Hauptman Fellow for distinguished research/ creativity activity. She's also a former professor at Oklahoma Baptist University graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a doctorate in musical appreciation.

Former students of Govich have moved on to perform on Broadway, off Broadway, Broadway national tours and different theaters all over the world.

Dr. Manuel Prestamo, dean of cultural arts, said her performance will be "a gorgeous, beautiful piece."

He said the series doesn't usually present artists so close to Oklahoma, but he was so impressed by her performance at the College Music Society conference that he booked her.

"I was extremely impressed with not just her voice but her choice of music," he said.

Upcoming presentations in the cultural awareness series include Bill Tole and the Jimmy Dorsey Or-

chestra, John Zdechlik with the Oklahoma City Symphonic Band, Moscow Boys Choir, former OKCCC student Edgar Cruz with the guitar, percussionist Chen Zimbalista, Salzburg Marionettes and the Jamanis Piano Duo.

World famous Chen Zimbalista plays the marimba and has a pianist accompanying him so it

should be "very melodic...not just a lot of drums and cymbals," said Prestamo. He said he thinks this will be one of the most challenging years ever.

"It has gotten harder and harder to keep [the series] running due to budgetary constraints from long-



Marilyn Govich

time contributors..."
The Oklahoma

The Oklahoma City Symphonic Band will have more than 100 musicians.

Students and senior citizens may buy a season ticket to all of the events for \$45 for students and senior citizens and \$60 for general admission. People may buy individual

tickets to Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, Moscow Boys Choir and Salzburg Marionettes for \$12 for students and senior citizens and \$15 for general admission. Other single tickets are \$8 for students and senior citizens and \$10 for general admission.

Public Relations employee awarded for booklet designs

By Caroline Ting Staff Writer

OKCCC graphic design specialist of the Marketing and Public Relations Department has recently won three awards in the Oklahoma College Public Relations Association Appual Competition and Show

tions Association Annual Competition and Show.

April Jackson, 30, received two awards of excellence for the cover designs on the 2003 College Catalog and the Fall 2003 Class Schedule, as well as an award of achievement for the overall appearance of the Fall 2003 Class Schedule.

"I'm pretty happy with [winning the awards]," Jackson said. On the class schedule, she said she was trying to create an image that's related to fall, so she superimposed pictures of the college on the autumn leaves.

The cover of the College Catalog is designed with a picture of the main entrance with pictures of students and a blue cover, Jackson said.

April Jackson "I [was] always interested in art [and drawing] throughout high school," she said.

Jackson has been working at the college for three years. She also holds an associate degree in Graphic Design from OKCCC.

"I have a big art history love," Jackson said.

Some of Jackson's accomplishments while she was a student at OKCCC include winning the first place in a student art show and a couple of honorable mentions. She also had one of her drawings published in the Absolute, the college's literary and art magazine.

Graphic design is an exciting field to work in, Jackson said.

"There's always something different, so that makes it more challenging."

The new college catalogue can be found at the office of Prospective Student Services located on the first floor of the main building.

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Preschoolers explore the idea of friends

he Child Development Center Lab School preschoolers are a friendly bunch — especially during Friends Week.

Preschool teacher Connie Pidgeon said making friends is just one area the kids will explore during the upcoming semester.

"We have a weekly lesson plan," she said.

The children will learn about making friends through a variety of activities. They will make a friends collage, wreath and necklace.

Aryana Hooshiarnejad, 3, said she plans to give the necklace she makes to her mother.

On the last day of the week, the children will celebrate with a picnic. They will make decorative lunch sacks, and have crackers and peanut butter, Pidgeon said.

The kids do other things throughout the week as well.

During each day, Pidgeon said, the children might explore group and music activities or have a class discussion over something they read that day. Teachers also offer self-select activities which is 4-year-old Hailey Thomas's favorite time of the day. She said she loves playing in the rice.

There are currently 16 children enrolled in the preschool class with plans for an increase later in the semester, Pidgeon said.

For more information about the Child Development Center Lab School, call 682-7561.



Laith Leger, 3, and friend Jacob Fay, also 3, help each other create toys with wooden blocks. Both are enrolled in the preschool class at the college's Child Development Center Lab School.



Cara Drummond, 3, stays at the Child Development Center each day while her mother Connie works at the college. She is enrolled in the preschool class with 15 other children.



Four-year-old Tyra Robenson is enrolled in the preschool program at the Child Development Center Lab School. Teacher Connie Pidgeon said painting is just one of the many activities the class does each week. As well as daily activities, the kids explore a different theme each week. They are currently learning about friends.



Upward Bound great beginning for one student

By Tabitha Stout News Writing I Student

This summer, Upward Bound paved the way for a student to further her education by allowing her to use available tools to pursue scholarships and grants.

Through communication with the counselors in the Upward Bound department, Uyen Phi was able to learn of these tools. The Upward Bound program is an educational program for high school students to promote high school attendance and graduation.

Phi entered the Upward Bound program the summer after her junior year at Southeast High School. She was one of the top students in her graduating class in 2003.

This was her second summer in the program. She took part in the Bridge program which, she said, allowed her to make the transition from high school to the college environment.

Phi has received multiple scholarships including the Bridge scholarship, the Upward Bound Student Council Scholarship, and many others that helped with both her tuition and book costs at OKCCC and the University of Oklahoma where Phi is currently enrolled.

During the summer, Phi attended classes at OKCCC for her basic courses such as government and math. She is majoring in biochemistry at OU.

She used the Bridge Scholarship money she received from OKCCC to get an early start on the classes she felt she would need the most individual attention for.

"I have received many scholarships," she said.

"I have received many scholarships. Upward Bound helped open doors to finding and getting these scholarships."

—Uyen Phi Former Upward Bound Student

"Upward Bound helped open doors to finding and getting these scholarships."

Overall, she said, she has collected more than \$2000 in scholarships and grants.

Phi is excited about working toward her degree and feels that Upward Bound has a lot to do with it.

"I am glad I was involved in the program," Phi said.

Phi is not only involved in the Upward Bound program but has been a volunteer at the OU Medical Center in the Presbyterian Tower for the past four years. This has allowed Phi to have the hands-on experience needed to find a goal and achieve it.

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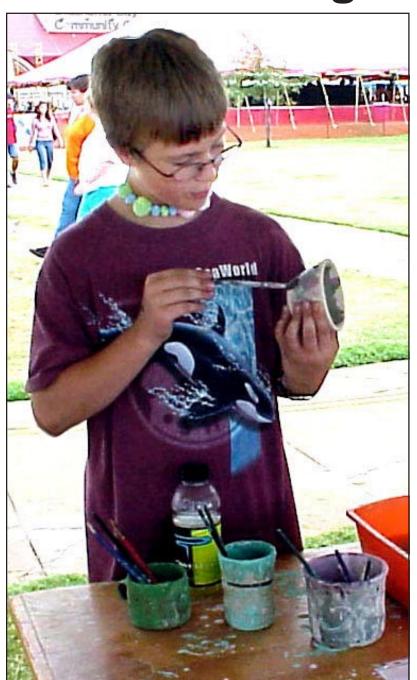
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Arts Festival goes on — rain and shine



bout 30,000 people walked the grounds of OKCCC during Arts Festival Oklahoma Aug. 29 through Sept. 1, a somewhat smaller crowd than last year.

Dr. Manuel Prestamo, dean of Cultural Programs and Community Development, said there was something for everyone with vendors offering a variety of food and art, and several musical artists performing.

Rain on Saturday did not scare people away, Prestamo said. Instead, folks took refuge in the many tents holding arts and crafts. Offerings ranged from contemporary sculptures to wind chimes carefully crafted from forks and spoons to paintings and drawings.

Children also had loads of fun during the four-day event, painting pots, getting their faces painted, watching dancers on stage or simply eating ice cream.

Meagan and
Sarah Johnson
enjoy their time at
the festival. Kids
could choose from
a variety of fun
things to do
including face
painting.



Jesse Sappington adds just a little more paint to his creation. A children's area at the arts festival gave kids of all ages the opportunity to make arts and crafts.



Sean Corner sculpts clay into a contemporary form Saturday afternoon at Arts Festival Oklahoma. He and other artists set up tents at the four-day event.





Festival-goers caught a flash of color when Salsa dancers performed in handmade dresses.



Streaming videos great for telecourses

Bv Travis Doussette News Writing I Student

Telecourses will offer streaming video for OKCCC students this fall.

"We just finished a pilot project with streaming video this summer," said Glenda Prince, coordinator of telelearning. "The pilot project this summer was successful, and streaming video will be offered as another option for telelearning students in the fall semester."

The telecourses combine video lessons with traditional classwork and are taught by OKCCC

"About one-third of our telelearning students have streamed this summer and we have had no technical problems related to streaming," said Prince.

Streaming video basically gives students the ability to view their lessons over the Internet just like watching it on a television.

Prince said the main advantage to using the streaming video is that a student can now view their lessons online.

"Any student can use the streaming video as long as they have access to high speed Internet," said Prince.

with a mid-spring Introduction to Psychology telecourse.

"The course will be totally streamed," said Prince. "Students will even view their orientation via streaming video and will not have to come to campus for their orientation."

All of the video lessons will be streamed, and any review sessions for the course will be streamed also.

Students can get more information about telelearning and try out the streaming video with a test demo at www.okccc.edu/ telelearning.

Students who have any questions can call Also, telelearning will try another pilot project the office of telelearning at (405) 682-7838.

Online courses offer convenience yet challenges

By Travis Doussette News Writing I Student

Online classes offer a convenient experience for the students at OKCCC. With the popularity of online courses growing at OKCCC, every student has the opportunity to learn online.

Professor Jon Inglett has been teaching college courses for seven years. For three of those years he has taught online courses.

"I prefer teaching both online and traditional courses because they both challenge me to grow as a professor," said Inglett.

Inglett has taught a wide range of language courses ranging from English Composition to Comparative Religions.

Online courses offer the same curriculum as the traditional courses, but there are some differences between the two. Online courses cost more tuitionwise because of a \$12 technology fee.

Even though the online classes cost more, students get a new learning experience from it, Inglett said.

"Online environments are interesting because you don't always know the race, gender or physical identity of the person," said Inglett.

"This anonymity creates a lack of stereotyping and discrimination that a traditional class could conjure."

Another positive aspect of online classes is the use of discussion boards.

"When students leave a traditional classroom, they

only have their notes and the memory of the experience," Inglett said.

"In an online environment, the discussion boards and chat room discussions are historical artifacts. Students can return to those ideas any time they like because the information has been recorded and dated for them," he said.

Among students who are new to online classes there are varying opinions.

Eddie Dillworth, sophomore, is planning to take an online class in the fall.

"I heard you have to be disciplined to take online classes, because it is easy to get behind if you wait till the end of the semester to do your work," he said.

Inglett said students may not realize deadlines are built into online classes too.

"My online course has a set schedule," Inglett said. "While we may have a few self-paced courses at OKCCC, most online courses here follow a set schedule."

Mike Johnson, also a sophomore, is planning to take an online course soon.

"Rumor has it that online courses are easier than other courses and you can finish them in half the time," said Johnson.

Inglett disagrees.

"This myth puzzles me," he said. "My online courses tend to have a higher dropout rate than my traditional courses. If they were easier then why are more students dropping online courses?"

Online courses offer an opportunity for students who live far from campus or for those looking for a change from the regular classroom.

"Some students learn better in an online environment, while other students learn better in a traditional classroom," Inglett explained.

"Both formats contribute to student success, but the students need to know which style of learning works best for them."



University offers free football

University of Central Oklahoma President W. Roger Webb has announced that all students currently enrolled at Rose State, OKCCC, Redlands Community and OSU/OKC colleges are invited to attend all UCO football games free of charge.

Webb said that any student from the four two-year colleges who present a valid student ID would be allowed free admission to the University of Central Oklahoma football games.

"We have a close relationship with all of these colleges, not only through, the Oklahoma City Downtown Consortium but also because many of their students transfer to UCO after two years," Webb said.

"Because of the many positive changes occurring on our campus, both in terms of academic initiatives and athletic spirit, we would like those students to have the opportunity to become a part of the excitement at this time."

The University of Central Oklahoma Bronchos will open their season against the Mavericks of Mesa State Colorado at 1 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 6 in the newly renovated Wantland stadium.

Work was recently completed at Wantland on the installation of new lights, a new scoreboard and a new artificial turf playing surface.

More information about the University of Central Oklahoma football program and a schedule of its 2003 season game, may be accessed on the Internet at www.bronchosports.com.

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International students tracked

By Robin Roth News Writing I Student

Since the Sept. eleventh terrorist attacks, the Integration and Naturalization Service is doing more to track International students attending colleges and schools in the United States.

SEVIS, or Student Exchange

Visitor Information System is the software program designed to monitor international students within U.S. colleges.

Dean of Admissions Gloria Barton said, "We report to the INS any change in status of international students enrolled here, including change of address, change in academic status, change in major, or failure to show up for classes using SEVIS." It's the law. Barton said.

"Legislation requires us to enter biographical information as well as academic information into a centralized monitoring system," said Barton.

Barton said that while the software had been substantially developed before the attacks on the World Trade Center, after the attacks occurred, a rush was applied to put the program to use.

Professor chooses part-time for family

By Taylor David News Writing I Student

OKCCC professor Julie Corff chooses to teach part time to make time for her personal life.

Corff, a former OKCCC student, taught full time until her children were born, then changed to parttime to make time for her family, she said. She said she places family first but still wants to be able to teach.

"I don't have to do the politics, I get to do what I love, teach."

Corff said she prefers to fairly balance her teaching with her family and being able to attend all of her children's school plays and sports activities.

Christel Smith, a part-time junior at OKCCC, prefers part-time professors because she feels that there is more of a one-on-one relationship with them.

"It seems that part-time teachers are more available to students," Smith said.

Corff said she would recommend part-time work to someone looking to become a teacher if they had a family or perhaps another job.

She said she enjoyed working full time until she had new responsibilities come into her life, such as her children.

"I can't believe I get paid to do this as my job," Corff said.

Corff said she also enjoys being able to do everyday errands for her husband and children but also gets to enjoy her job without the meetings and paperwork.

Global education enters seventh year

By Sara Proctor News Writing 1 Student

Starting this fall OKCCC is beginning its seventh year of including global education in the curriculum.

Global education helps students to be better prepared for the world in which they will work, said Dr. John C. Hughes Sr., head of the global education committee.

Hughes hopes to focus on international geographic parts of the world

The purpose of global education is to expand the minds of students by teaching them the history and culture of other countries, he said.

"Students need to learn how to adapt and survive in a multicultural environment," Hughes said.

He also said the community college would spend the next two years studying Eastern Europe, emphasizing Poland and then move on to a different region.

Hughes will be beginning his eighth year at OKCCC this fall.

He said the community college staff realized they needed to be more involved in global education and asked him to head the committee seven years ago.

Hughes teaches American Federal Government and will incorporate Eastern Europe into his class by comparing the government of Europe and the government of the United States.

Hughes said that if he had the opportunity to teach in Europe again he would do it. Hughes lived in Europe for five years in countries such as Turkey, Greece, Spain, England and Germany.

"Everyone needs to travel and see what else is out there in the world,"Hughes said.

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Highlights

Community chorus

OKCCC Community Chorus for the fall semester is set to perform "Vivaldi's Gloria" on Tuesday, Nov. 11. Rehearsal starts Tuesday, Sept. 2, from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 1C5 in the Arts and Humanities building. No audition is required and people can take the class for credit or noncredit for \$20. The last day to join is Tuesday, Sept. 23. For more information, contact Jonathon Stewart at Jstewart@okccc.edu or (405) 682-1611, ext. 7249.

College Club Soccer

College Club Soccer still has spaces available. Come join us from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Wednesday on the field South of the Child Development Center off of May Ave. The cost is \$30 per person. We will play against the University of Central Oklahoma, University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University. The first game is at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 13. For more information call Karen Hartline at (405) 682-1611 ext. 7786.

H.O.P.E.

The Hispanic Organization to Promote Education will be holding a meeting on Sept. 11 to discuss the upcoming activities for Hispanic Heritage month. The meeting will take place at 12:30 p.m. in room 2N7. If you have any questions, call Jessica Martinez-Brooks at (405) 682-1611 ext. 7248.

Customer service seminar

The Training Center at OKCCC has scheduled two seminars of paramount importance to the success of businesses both large and small. The Training Center will offer "The FISH! Philosophy: A Guide to World Famous Customer Service" on Tuesday, Sept. 16, and "WOW Your Listeners and WIN the Business" on Tuesday, Nov. 4. Both classes are held in The Training Center. For enrollment information, call (405) 682-7562.

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Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship

Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will be meeting in CU-7 this year instead of in the theater lobby. The meetings will continue to be on Wednesdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend, and a special invitation is extended to new students at OKCCC. Refreshments will be served. Please note that Chi Alpha is a Christian Club and not a fraternity or sorority. For more information call LaWanda LaVarnway at (405) 682-1611, ext. 7329.

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Blood for a good

cause: George Caves, 26, lays back listening to relaxing tunes while giving blood Wednesday, Sept. 3, on the campus. Caves is a second year student at OKCCC. Supervisor of the blood drive said they had an "awesome turnout" with an estimated 100 people donating for both Wednesday, Sept. 3 and Thursday, Sept. 4. He says blood type "O" is the most needed at the doning center. When asked about the huge shortage in blood this past summer, he blamed it on the mad-cow scare and the summer holiday. He says in the summer, more people ride in cars together creating mre casualties. They lost a lot of doners from Tinker due to people being shipped out of the country for war.

Photo by Keah Roggow

H.O.P.E. for scholastics

By Lacey Lett Staff Writer

With the new school year started, students are participating in all kinds of activities including clubs.

One club that is anticipating a very active year is HOPE which begins Thursday, Sept. 11.

Hispanic Organization Promoting Education promotes community service for schools and non Spanish-speaking facilities such as the State Fair of Oklahoma

HOPE plans to help out Oklahoma City schools in their time of need said Rocky Chavez, director for HOPE.

"Since the budget cut happened, they had to relieve some DSL teachers (teachers who aid foreign speaking students to learn English) at Fairview and Rockwood so we are going to translate the teacher's lessons," Chavez said.

Also, he said, they are going to start helping high

schools by going to Latino Club meetings and showing students how to enroll at OKCCC and the University of Oklahoma.

"I was a first generation student and it was hard for me when I enrolled so I want to help others," he

Chavez believes HOPE is a good way to network. Club members go to conferences every year which are based out of Washington D.C.

"It teaches them how to help the Hispanic way of life," Chavez said.

Contact Jessica Martinez-Brooks for more information at 682-1611, ext. 7248.

Another club that is planning on being extremely active is the Scholars League. The league has its first meeting at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 25.

The Scholars League is a club for anyone who has a scholarship said its rresident Kyle Shepherd. He said he has many goals in mind for the Scholars League club.

"We hope to help students have leadership skills," he said.

The club will host activities such as horseback riding and a trip to a Dallas shopping mall. Some of their community service activities include Habitat for Humanity where the students will go to a site and help paint a house or work on the frame, said Shepherd. He also said they will be reading for children at elementary schools. For more information on joining this club, e-mail Mendy Bergin at mbergin @okccc.edu.

A few other cumpus clubs and their meeting dates are: Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will meet every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m.; the Psychology/ Sociology Club has its' first meeting Thursday, Sept. 18.

For more information on campus organizations and clubs, students may pick up an OKCCC Student Clubs and Organizations manual throughout the main building.

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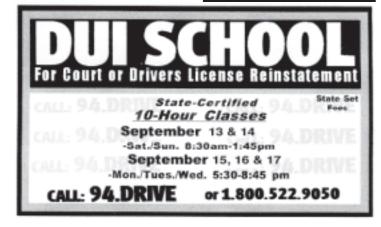
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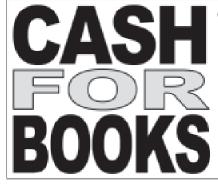
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Early enrollment key to getting needed, wanted classes

"Enrollment," Cont. from page 1

Nguyen said enrolling online during rush hours was a mistake because he still had to come to OKCCC in person and repeat the process.

Other students also have felt the increase in the number of students on campus.

Business and ministry leadership student Robert Jackson said he's seen a "big increase" and his classes are quite full.

"The school's [going] to have to build a bigger [building] or something."

Jackson also said there weren't enough counselors to take care of the students

on enrollment day.

Jahnvi Naik, nursing major, said the college probably needs to have

more seating in classes as well as open up more sections for science classes. She offers advice for students who have had troubles enrolling. "Enroll as early as you can. Don't wait 'til the last minute.'

Deans, professors share career insights

"Pay," Cont. from page 1

Staffing Plan for the 2003 to 2004 fiscal year. Van-Schuyver has been employed at the college since 1990. Before assuming the dean's position, she had been a professor. Deans at OKCCC earn between \$48,500 to \$78,600 annu-

ally.

Some full-time faculty members also talked about the work that's involved in their jobs.

Mathematics professor Jay Malmstrom, who said he's retired from the Navy, has been teaching at OKCCC for 12 years. He said it's important to have "genuine love and patience" for students as well as for the course.

In a field such as mathematics, Malmstrom said, he needs to make students understand the material and let them know where learning mathematics is going to lead them in the

However, he said, having to serve on academic committees is one of the less enjoyable parts of his job, which he doesn't consider as primary as teaching.

Professor of physical therapist assistants and program director Peggy Newman said she focuses much of her time on curriculum development, since constant changes occur in health care and physical therapy.

She also said it's very important that she and other licensed professors in the program deliver educationally appropriate training to their students. Clinical practices are also an important experience students should have in the

What's been tough for

physical therapy professionals is reimbursement for health care services, Newman said.

Newman said she could earn a lot more money working full time as a physical therapist. But she said it is so rewarding for her to practice part time and work with students as her full time job. Therefore she chooses the flexible lifestyle of both teaching and practicing at a clinic.

Newman has been teaching at the college for eight vears.

Business professor Joe Ramsey said he would recommend a student who wishes to pursue college teaching to have some work experiences before coming to the classroom.

Besides teaching, Ramsev also runs two companies. He said he's not teaching at OKCCC for the money; he teaches here because he enjoys it.

"The compensation [I receive] consists of my passion, perfect expressions of my gifts, money and benefits, and in that order. Don't [teach business] because you're looking for great wealth."

Ramsey explained that teaching doesn't prevent people from getting wealth, but they might have to try other good ways to invest.

Ramsey has been teaching at OKCCC for three years.

Computer science professor Kathy Cupp said that course preparation consumes most of her time when she's not in class. In her field, she said staying current and participating in training are high priorities. She also encourages people to teach in public schools, as she did, before getting involved in higher educa-

Her favorite part about teaching is when she's trying to explain difficult material to students and some students don't understand it. Then all of a sudden she sees this light in their eyes which means they finally get it. This is her best reward, she said.

Cupp has taught at the college for 12 years.

Cupp, Malmstrom, Newman and Ramsey all say applicants should have at least a master's degree to be qualified for teaching in higher education. They also recommend having some professional work experience in addition to academic training.

Although this is the third year that OKCCC employees are working without a pay raise. Most professors aren't complaining. They said that they're grateful for still having a job and continuing to do what they en-

Professors at OKCCC earn between \$32,500 and \$58,000 annually. The average faculty salary is \$44,600.

VanSchuyver also said she has no complaints about her current salary. Furthermore, she said she has faith that everyone will get a pay raise one day.

OKCCC President Bob Todd expressed his appreciation to the employees of the college.

"I am aware that none of us have received merit based advances in salary for the past two years, Todd said. "[Meanwhile] the enrollment and the quality of education have gone up during this time. That is a challenge for me.'

The salaries of public employees, including these working at OKCCC, are public records.

A copy of the college staffing plan can be checked out from the circulation desk in the OKCCC library.

Dr. Todd rehired as president

"Todd," Cont. from page 1

At the end of each fiscal year, the Board of Regents looks over the previous contract and the president's performance during the past contract cycle. Then the board decides whether they want to renew the contract for another vear, Todd said.

Although Todd's contract has been renewed, no salary decisions have been made yet, he said.

Todd's salary for this year totals \$182,499, according to the 2003-2004 Staffing Plan.

Todd said he is honored to serve another year as the president of OKCCC.

He said he entered the position as acting president for eight months and has been serving as president for eight years.

Todd has worked at the college for 31 years, so it is no surprise that he feels forged to this community.

The community is a big part of who I am and where I am," Todd said.

Being the president is what Todd loves and plans to continue doing for as long as possible. But if he were not the president, he said he would still enjoy his

"I think I'll always be involved in education and higher education, in terms of trying to make things better for students.

'Whether that's consulting or whatever it may be, I don't think I'm going to ever just sit at home. My wife would probably agree with that. She would say, 'You're not going to just sit at home."

Todd said he has many responsibilities as the president of a college. He said under the Board of Regents direction he is responsible for providing the daily oversight and planning needed for the growth and excellence of the col-

"I work to ensure the quality of what we do, whether that's in the classroom or whether that's making sure that our services to the students are absolutely the best that we can provide," Todd said. "That entails working with the community and staff to determine what college's needs are.'

Todd said no matter how stressful his position gets, he takes the greatest joy in seeing students fulfill their dreams.

"It is really more fulfilling now than ever seeing people experience, in their lives, this thing called success." Todd said.

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