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Heart surgery sidelines college leader Bob Todd

VP Paul Sechrist will assume leadership duties until his return

By Christiana Kostura
Staff Writer

OKCCC's president Dr. Bob Todd is traveling the road to recovery after having heart surgery Jan. 10 at Integris Baptist Medical Center.

Todd said in an e-mail sent to college employees Jan. 6 that he would undergo a single arterial bypass surgery and also have the mitral valve in his heart replaced.

The mitral valve is a flap that opens and closes, allowing blood to enter and exit the left chambers of the heart. The valve is essential for healthy blood circulation, according to the University of Virginia's Health System website.

In bypass surgery, blood is rerouted around the blocked area of an artery to improve flow, according to St. Jude's Medical website.

About 200,000 Americans undergo

coronary bypass surgery each year according to the Heart Surgery Forum, located at www.hsforum.com.

Todd's surgery was successful, said Dr. Paul Sechrist, Provost/Vice President in a Jan. 10 e-mail.

"Dr. Todd's family has expressed its heartfelt appreciation for the support and prayers in his behalf," Sechrist said.

Todd said he expects his recovery to take about two months. In his e-mail Todd said he has directed Sechrist to provide leadership for the college while he recovers from surgery.

Pat Berryhill, Institutional Advancement Executive Director, said she anticipates Todd's speedy return. "He is progressing well in recovery," she said.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Waiting game: Transfer student Billy Jackson waits his turn to register for spring classes. A number of students enrolled in classes prior to the start of the semester. Fast-track enrollment ends Jan. 20. Students can enroll in 16-week classes through Jan. 21.

Parking leniency will be given early in the semester

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

At the beginning of each semester, the college's parking lots usually are a little crowded — for the first couple of weeks anyway.

OKCCC Safety and Security officers will be on hand to help alleviate some of the problems said Keith Bourque, Campus Security coordinator.

One way officers will help, he said, is to allow students to park in areas normally off limits for parking.

Bourque said overflow parking will be available on the grassy areas near some lots.

Officers will be on hand to direct traffic so students will know where they can park. Bourque hopes the 289 parking spaces the college recently added will help as well.

He said his office also will show some leniency regarding parking citations for the



first week.

Fines for parking in a fire lane or handicap space will be the only citations issued in the first few weeks, Bourque said.

There also have been some changes in how fines are paid, said Mary Candler, Student Relations director.

"Students will no longer pay fines in the bookstore," Candler said. "All fines will now be paid in the Bursar's Office."

Chandler said some of the parking fine amounts have been raised. Parking in a fire lane or handicap space will now cost \$100. Parking in a faculty and staff area without a proper decal has increased to \$15.

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

Parenting and the law

When I was younger, my mother told me if she suspected me of doing something I shouldn't have been, she would not have hesitated to listen in on phone conversations.

In 2000, a mother in Washington did just that. She listened in on a conversation her then 14-year-old daughter was having with her then 17-year-old boyfriend.

During the conversation, the boyfriend admitted to snatching a purse. The mother took notes on what was said and turned the boyfriend in to the authorities. The boyfriend was then convicted of robbery and has since served a nine-month jail term for the crime.

In December 2004, the ruling was overturned because the Washington State Supreme Court determined the mother violated the state's privacy act when she listened in on her daughter's conversation. Now the mother may face criminal charges.

Since when did it become a problem for a parent to be concerned with his or her child? In my eyes, a parent has every right to intrude on his or her child's life, especially if there are suspicions of wrongdoing by the child.

Parents usually intervene or snoop with the best intentions and, in this case, the mother's intentions led to a much deserved arrest.

Once word spread about the overturning in Washington, the media picked up this story like it was a fumbled football and rightfully so.

Media mogul Bill O'Reilly spoke about the overturning on his television show "The O'Reilly Factor," warning parents that "eavesdropping on your child's conversation could land you behind bars."

Parents in the state of Washington also were up in arms over the decision.

According to The Seattle Times, the decision was met with calls for the ouster of state Supreme Court members. A Seattle mother, Desiree Moore, told the newspaper: "Tell me it's illegal to spy on my child and you will see me breaking the law."

Just like parents, the laws are passed with the best intentions. And as the law wishes to treat everyone equally, there has to be a line drawn somewhere.

When it comes to children, parents shouldn't be on a need-to-know basis. Parents deserve to know and shouldn't receive a slap on the wrist for looking out for their children.

In the end, it comes down to who is responsible for children: the parents are. If a parent is responsible for his or her child's decisions, such as truancy or shoplifting, then the parent should be allowed to carry out his or her responsibility through all facets of parenting, not just a designated few.

This is a matter of parenting and protection, not the law.

—Richard Hall
Editor

Luncheon gets thumbs up

To the editor:

Most of my letters to the Pioneer have been to complain, so this will be a switch. I have been told by my lovely bride to quit writing them, but I don't always listen to her, most of the time, but not always.

We attended the holiday luncheon Dec. 9 for the first time in a while. I quit going after the first year we were served canned turkey. I miss the old days when it was covered dish and everyone brought their favorite one. But I also miss the picnics at the park, the college awards banquets, the hockey game nights, basketball and baseball games, and the trips to Remington for the races.

And I do try to understand why they are not done anymore, but the luncheon has always been in-house and our deal, and this year's was refreshing.

The food was great and the entertainment was silly.

I have always enjoyed the fact that we have a president and administrators that have such a good sense of humor and aren't stuffed shirts. I for one miss the tie contest which has become a silly but very entertaining tradition.

I suggested to Dr. Todd that we have a holiday sweater contest for the ladies. There were hundreds of festive sweaters and vests present.

I have always loved this college because I grew up on the south side, and was called "south side scum," "river rat" and "greaser" by the best of 'em.

I'm proud our president is a graduate of Capitol Hill High School and proud of [the school].

So come on Mrs. Todd, let Dr. Todd carry on the tie contest tradition I plan to win that contest the year I retire anyway! The sweater contest would be great and would get everyone in-

volved.

Sellers', you've done good. Kudos to Heather and Robby and all their folks. I pride myself as somewhat of an expert on food, and it was delicious!

The Sponsoring Department did a wonderful job and I can't wait 'til next year.

—Lloyd Kingsbury
Health Lab coordinator

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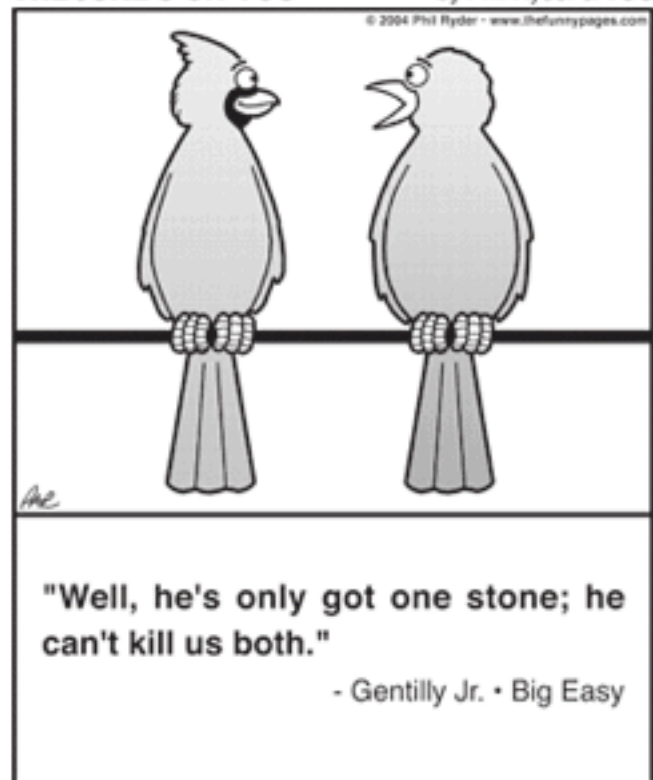
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Comments and Reviews

Pioneer gets thumbs down

To the editor:

In response to your front-page story Dec. 6 detailing Security Officer Ron Morehouse's termination of employment, I have a few comments to attach.

First off, it is not the business of the students or employees of OKCCC to know about this man's shortcomings.

His term of employment at this school is, in my opinion, not school newspaper

coverage material whether it is front page or last page.

I find it odd you did not cover the fact that the (former) Director of Safety and Security has turned in his resignation, leaving the security office scrambling to correct wrongs and keep the officers current on their certifications. Yet you feel obligated to spread your libel around the campus detailing officer Morehouse's termination.

Another point I cannot seem to grasp is why you felt it important to go to his wife to get information to further your pointless, no needless, story. Leave the man alone.

Next time when you feel the need to tell the entire school about a fellow employee being fired, do us all a favor and keep it out of print.

—**Stefanie Lowe**
OKCCC employee

'Neverland,' 'Potter' grab top honors

Another year's worth of movies have come and gone and it's now time for my top ten list of 2004 movies, based on pure enjoyment.

10. "Hidalgo": An American Indian enters the most dangerous long-distance horse race known to man. This film is fun to watch and provides an interesting story. The special effects are a bit much, but it is definitely worth watching.

9. "Anchor-man": A spoof about how the newsroom operated during its infancy. Will Ferrell was hilarious, but the lack of story kept this film from being higher on the list.

8. "Friday Night Lights": This film shows how serious small town football can be. Tim McGraw gives a standout performance that can be enjoyed by all.

7. "Dodgeball": A group of slackers enter a dodgeball tournament in hopes of saving their gym. This was the funniest movie of 2004. Again, the story was a little

weak, but this film provides enough laughter to keep one entertained until the end.

6. "Ladder 49": This film takes a look at the lives of firefighters. It was a perfect blend of comedy, romance and drama. This was the best film John Travolta has been a part of in a long time.

5. "The Secret Window": A bizarre psychological thriller about an author who is dealing with his unfaithful wife. This film has many

twists and turns that end up making it a little weird. However, those who can keep up will be very pleased.

4. "Shrek 2": This installment picks up right where "Shrek" left off and is quite possibly the best sequel since "The Godfather 2." "Shrek 2" has a beautiful look that appeals to small



children and enough comedy to keep everyone entertained.

3. "Troy": This was an adaptation of Homer's epic. The problem this film had was the absence of the Greek gods. The film was beautiful from start to finish. The costumes and set designs were great. All of the actors give command performances.

2. "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban": This installment of the series is not as true to the books as serious fans would have liked. However, from a film standpoint, this movie is still one of the best pictures 2004 had to offer.

1. "Finding Neverland": A look at how the playwright responsible for the classic "Peter Pan" found inspiration to create such a masterpiece. This film was the most enjoyable experience 2004 had to offer.

—**Shawn Bryant**
Staff Writer



Counselor's Corner

Welcome students

"Never discourage anyone... who continually makes progress, no matter how slow."

—**Plato**

Here we are in another new year, and Student Development wants you to know how happy we are you are with us this semester.

For some of you, this is a frantic week of rushing, searching for classrooms, hoping nobody is aware you are new to this. For others, this campus feels as comfortable as a pair of well broken-in jeans.

If you are a new college student (or even just new to this college), there are some basic principles you should observe to be as successful as possible in your classes.

Understand it is important for you to go to class. The faculty tend to be helpful, but will focus the bulk of their time on students serious about being college students.

Go to class, find out what is expected of you and introduce yourself to professors. This makes a nice first impression on people whose help you may need.

OKCCC offers many resources to help with your success. Become acquainted with where each of the learning labs is located and ask how to best use the resources there. The people who work in the labs and library can be helpful whether you have an occasional question or need more involved assistance.

Take advantage of student groups and organizations. These will give you opportunities to add fun activities to your schedule, and will allow you to meet people who share your interests. A strong social network is very important to your success.

For those of you who have been here for a while and may be ready to move on after this semester, please keep in mind most of the universities now have early deadlines for getting your information in to transfer.

We encourage you to contact your transfer institution of choice if you haven't already done so. You will need to complete an application for admission there, and you will need official copies of your transcripts.

Typically, The University of Oklahoma, the University of Central Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University have transfer workshops on their respective campuses sometime early in March.

By participating in one of these workshops, you have the opportunity to be advised early and to enroll as a junior instead of having to wait until freshmen and sophomores have enrolled. You also put yourself in a position to possibly receive a transfer scholarship.

Again, welcome to (or back to) college. Please stop by and see us if there is anything we can do to assist you this semester.

—**Student Development Center**

Quote of the Week:

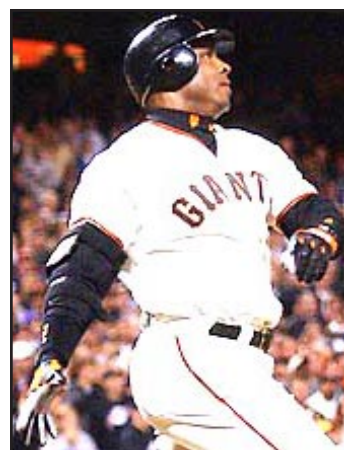
"Freedom is not the right to do what you want, it is to do what is right."

—**Cliff Palmer**

Let's face it, 2004 had some crazy moments

Each year, people make mistakes and weird, once-in-a-blue-moon events happen. After pouring over hundreds of news articles, I have picked my choices for Top Ten Craziest News Stories of 2004.

10. Bonds Ain't Cheap: It was reported by www.espn.com baseball superstar Barry Bonds decided to charge fans \$7,500 for a five minute



meet-and-greet session after it was revealed he admitted to a grand jury he was using steroids.

9. Parents on Strike: When their children stopped helping around the house and nothing else worked, Cat and Harlan Barnard went on strike.

Visit www.sun-sentinel.com/news/local/florida/search/ and go to Dec. 13 for the story.

8. #1 Christian Porn Site Started by Pastors: Two California pastors decided to combat pornography by starting a digital church called XXX Church. The site has been featured in many news articles and even on "Good Morning America." Visit www.xxxchurch.com for all

the juicy details.

7. Christmas Banned in December: The superintendent overseeing Lakehoma Elementary School in Mustang decided to ban the song "Silent Night" from the school's holiday play. Visit



<http://worldnetdaily.com> for the full story.

6. Super Malfunction at Half-time Show: This past January, millions of viewers saw Janet Jackson's bosom for a moment's time. You can read about it at www.floridabaptistwitness.com/3592.article.

5. Gweneth, You Named the Baby Apple? For a full list of weird celebrity baby names, look for the article "The Strange Name Game" at www.theeastcarolinian.com.

4. Throwing Beer, Chairs and Punches: After he was hit with a cup of beer, Indiana Pacer Ron Artest ran into the stands, threw down a fan and started a brawl between players and fans. To read about the particulars, visit www.freep.com/sports/pistons and read the articles dated Nov. 20.

3. Poisoning a Politician: Ukrainian presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko was poisoned with dioxin before winning the 2004 Ukrainian presidential election. Read more at <http://news.xinhuanet.com/english>.

2. How to Steal \$21 Billion and Get Caught: In November 2004, the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations said it has evidence Saddam Hussein stole \$21.3 billion from the Oil-For-Food program and avoided United Nations sanctions. Read about this scandal at www.theunionleader.com.

1. Guitarist Murdered On-Stage During Concert in Ohio: Darrell "Dimebag" Abbott, guitarist of former heavy-metal band Pantera, was shot and killed onstage by a man who then was killed by an off-duty policeman, while playing with his new band, Damageplan. For more information, visit www.sfgate.com.

Happy 2005!

—Matthew Caban
Staff Writer



Listen to this — 2004 was a great year for music lovers

Music is said to be the universal language, and it's no surprise in 2004 many great artists and bands spoke loud and clear with amazing albums.

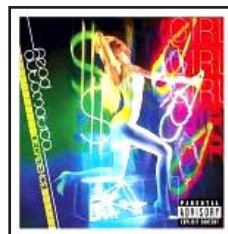
10. Head Automatica: Decadence: Talk about a dynamic duo. Dan the Automator provides the hip beats while Glassjaw's Daryl Palumbo sings away. Don't forget your dancing shoes while listening to this album. For more information, visit www.headautomatica.com.

9. Piebald: All Ears, All Eyes, All the Time: This 2004 release anchored Piebald's roots with a mix of pop-rock. With piano-driven tracks like "Haven't Tried It" and "Part of Your Body is Made of Rock," Piebald is barely melting the tip of the creativity iceberg. For more information, visit www.piebald.com.

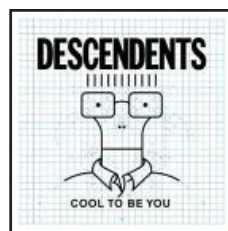
8. Hot Water Music: The New What Next: Hot Water Music has been around a long time, cementing the emo-core style into inspired bands worldwide. Although not as memorable as "Caution,"

"The New What Next" is a great album. For more information, visit www.hotwatermusic.com.

7. Rise Against: Siren Song of the Counter Culture: "Siren Song of the Counter Culture" barked an assailing of politics-driven tracks and packed a hefty one-two with its volley of pop laced hits. This is one of the best punk albums to come out of a major label since Green Day's "Insomniac." For more information, visit www.riseagain.com.



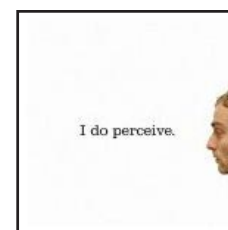
6. The Descendents: Cool To Be You: I, along with many other fans, waited eight long years for the release of "Cool To Be You," and we weren't disappointed. "Cool To Be You" is every bit as good as their past albums and should be considered one of the best pop-punk albums to date. For more information, visit www.descendentsonline.com.



5. Nas: Streets Disciple: Nas's "Streets Disciple" is a great album. It carries Nas's lyrical genius and

flow to a higher level. Despite several throwaway tracks, the album leaves a long-lasting impression. For more information, visit www.iamnas.com.

4. Ted Leo and the Pharmacists: Shake the Sheets: "Shake the Sheets" was a surprise hit of 2004. Poppy hooks and rhythmic guitars make this album, and Leo's vocals add to its charisma. For more information, visit www.tedleo.com.



3. Owen: I do perceive: "I do perceive." is the best music Mike Kinsella has ever made. If you're a sucker for acoustic music with passion as its drive, check out "I do perceive." For more information, visit www.polyvinylrecords.com.

2. Big D and the Kids Table: How It Goes: Big D and the Kids Table is just as aggressive as they are sincere, and this album will replenish one's faith in a genre that hasn't been mainstream since the mid-'90s.

"How It Goes" is every ska devotees' dream. For more information, visit www.bigdandthekidstable.com.

1. The Mountain Goats: We Shall All Be Healed: The Mountain Goats have long been established in the world of indie-folk. "We Shall All Be Healed" is their best yet. Everything from lyrics to music proves its worth in gold. Bittersweet and ecstatic, the Goats do it all, dishing out something for everyone with this wonderful album. For more information, visit www.themountaingoats.net.

—Richard Hall
Editor

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Film Institute helps artist realize dream

By Anne Heatly
News Writing I Student

The youngest employee at the advertising company Staplegun Designs Inc. credits his early success to the Film Institute, hosted by OKCCC during the summer.

Dustin Penrod, 23, is the director of cinematography and photography for the company, with clients such as Golf USA, Oklahoma State Fair and Cancer Care Network.

One of the first students to take part in the summer program, Penrod was studying for a public relations degree at the University of Central Oklahoma. Having been interested in filmmaking his entire life, he immediately wanted to become involved after hearing about

the Film Institute. After finishing the summer program he decided to enroll in OKCCC's Film and Video program.

Penrod said he valued the chance to work with talented people such as Film professor Fritz Kiersch, whom he describes as being "by far, one of the best in the [film business]." He said working with Kiersch gave him the confidence to pursue his dream.

Penrod also enjoyed the challenge that the film classes offered. To understand the concepts of the art of filmmaking, the students studied master painters such as Renoir, Penrod said. He remembers Kiersch saying: "painting with light is a challenge because you can't touch it."

Kiersch remembers Penrod as being an outgoing student, one he

believed would be successful. He said he saw Penrod as always being passionate about his work.

While still at OKCCC, Penrod interned with Staplegun and was eventually offered a chance to join the crew. He accepted with the belief that beginning to work so early would be the best way to work his way up and get his work known.

Penrod also has done the sound production and lighting for movies such as "The Deep End," "Sam and Janet," and "Round and Round." He received two first-place ADDY awards for his black and white photos.

Although he is now working in advertising, Penrod said he still plans to pursue filmmaking in the future.

"There is no age limit on success."



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Former film student Dustin Penrod is cinematography and photography director for Staplegun Designs Inc.

Prof continues to raise musical bar at OKCCC

By John Stuart
News Writing I Student

Under the direction of Professor Ron Staton, the choir program at OKCCC filled the college theater with a standing-room-only crowd for the Christmas concert in December.

OKCCC librarian and Chamber Singers choir member Linda Boatright said Staton has brought the choir program at the college "full-circle."

Boatright said the choirs are performing new types of music and have increased its member numbers.

Three choirs are available to students — two of which are open to all students who are interested.

One choir, the Chamber Singers, is an audition group Staton said.

The Symphonic Choir is a community choir open to students and non-students. This choir consists of more than 70 members Boatright said.

The Concert Choir consisting of 26 members meets three times per week and fulfills one hour of elective college credit, she said.

The choirs perform in a number of different venues.

In November, the Chamber Singers and Concert Choir traveled by invitation to the University of Arkansas in Ft. Smith to perform in the

Two-Year College Choral Festival, Boatright said.

In addition to formal performances, the choirs also sing in smaller and local venues.

On Dec. 15, members of the choirs performed Christmas carols at various locations around campus.

How are all these things made possible?

Boatright attributes the success of the groups to the expertise of Staton.

Staton's a first-year OKCCC professor. The Borger, Texas, native received his bachelor's degree in music education from Oklahoma Baptist University.

He also holds a master's degree from the University of Central Oklahoma in music education.



"I just want people to come who enjoy making music through hard work."

— Ron Staton
OKCCC Music Professor

In teaching the choirs at OKCCC, Staton calls upon his extensive experience. He taught vocal music at Del City High School for 35 years before coming to OKCCC.

Although he teaches many students, his goal in teaching remains the same. Staton works to "increase the level of musicianship" among students, he said.

In his time at OKCCC thus far, Staton said, he has enjoyed working with students.

"I love it here," he said.

"[The] students are responsive and they love to excel."

For students interested in joining one of the choirs, Staton has a simple message.

"I just want people to come who enjoy making

music through hard work."

Staton said no experience is necessary for people interested in joining one of the non-audition choirs. Students interested in joining can enroll in the class.

Those interested in joining the Chamber Singers, the audition group, should schedule an audition with Staton. Auditions for next semester will be held the week of Jan. 17.

New tech may invade Testing Center soon

By Todd Milligan
News Writing I Student

In the near future, students might start seeing some technological changes in the Testing Center.

Career Assessment Services Director Jim Ellis said the update would improve the delivery system of tests.

"We will be trying to get an electronic update in the test delivery," he said.

Ellis compared the new technology to that of the newer type of food ordering screens such as those at McDonald's.

Ellis said the center

wants to create a system where the student would be able to look for a needed test on a list, then push a button to print out the test for the class.

Advertising Senior Adam Ballard said he would like the changes.

"I think that would probably be easier for all of us if we could just do it all by ourselves," Ballard said.

"But I think the changes will [also] be good for the college."

Ellis said the area also is working to get the technology for students to be able to take tests online in the center and have the scores go directly to the professor.

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Theater director ups leadership skills

**By Jennifer Stamps
News Writing I Student**

"It is important that professors show leadership in the classroom and that student organizations have examples of strong leaders," said Ruth Charnay, Theater Arts director.

Charnay was chosen from educators across the state to be a part of the Educator's Leadership Academy last fall, a training experience to promote leadership in Oklahoma's top educators.

The academy meets four

times per year for an entire weekend in different parts of the state. Charnay looks forward to the trips.

"There is something restful and stimulating about getting out of your normal surroundings," she said.

Charnay said she is proud and happy to be part of something very few have the opportunity to participate in.

Susan VanSchuyver, Arts and Humanities dean, said she is excited Charnay had this opportunity.

"It's kind of a stepping stone for her, VanSchuyver said. "I really see her as a growing leader... I think it



Ruth Charnay

will be something she will benefit from, and it will benefit the college for years to come."

Charnay has held a lead-

ership position as the chair of the college's Curriculum Committee for two years.

"That's a college-wide committee that's really important," VanSchuyver said. "It's a recommending body to the provost."

In addition to that experience, Vanschuyver said, Charnay also has won a director's award at the American Theater Festival.

VanSchuyver said the academy was looking for excellent teachers with experience, already showing leadership, and who had won an award.

Sophomore Ryan Battles said OKCCC professors

who attend the academy are an asset.

"When a teacher learns leadership skills, the information can then be passed on to the students, who can use those leadership skills in their own careers," Battles said.

Charnay said she looks forward to networking and getting to know more people, as well as hearing outstanding speakers.

"The speakers they bring in are very knowledgeable, so it's easy to learn when you're with somebody fun."

Charnay said she will attend the third conference Jan. 21 and 22 in Tulsa.

Area school bus drivers, monitors sought

**By Kyla Rapp
News Writing I Student**

Students needing a part-time job might want to note that public school districts across the state are hiring bus drivers and bus monitors.

Wendy Pratt, communications director with the State Board of Education, said college students are prime hiring candidates because of their flexible schedules.

Pratt said it's somewhat difficult to fill the positions because "being a bus driver requires a higher level of training."

A commercial driver's license, along with other requirements, is needed to become an active bus driver. However, Pratt said, it also is possible to be hired with no previous experience or CDL license.

She said if someone with no experience is hired, the hiring school district will take the employee through the necessary training.

Drivers are needed throughout the year, and especially needed during the cold and flu season as substitute drivers, said Floyd Gates, director of transportation for Moore schools. They take different routes daily depending on which driver they fill in for.

"When not enough drivers are on hand, we have to use the mechanics and office staff," Gates said.

"This makes the daily functions of the transportation division difficult."

Bus drivers can expect the salary to start around \$8.25 an hour. They also have the opportunity for health insurance.

Freshman Kristina Johnson said she might be interested.

"I think it would be a cool job, drive from school to the bus barn and get paid to drive around," she said.

Students who aren't interested in driving a

bus full of kids may want to take advantage of another part-time job opportunity.

Monitors are needed across the state on public school buses, according to the State Board of Education.

Students interested need to apply at the administrative office of the school district in which they are interested.

"Monitors are important because they are on

the special-needs buses and they care for [students'] needs," said Gates.

Special-needs buses include those that transport students with disabilities or ailments that must be monitored closely.

Monitors will receive the proper training and preparation upon hiring.

Bus monitors can expect pay to start around \$8.25 an hour.

Student finds joy in taking kids to school

**By Kyla Rapp
News Writing I Student**

Brandy Bragg, an OKCCC paramedic student, loves her part-time job. She is a substitute bus driver for the Moore school district.

Bragg said when she reports to work, she finds out the routes she will run.

"It is interesting to learn all the routes and all the buses," Bragg said.

"I think I have done most of them by now."

Bragg said she found the job while looking for jobs at the Department of Human Services office.

"I think there is a shortage of bus drivers simply because no one thinks to do it," she said.

She recommends the job to students because of the flexibility.

"I like to take the school trip jobs. I get to pick them according to my schedule and they pay a little more," she said.

Bragg said her favorite part of the job is getting to know the kids and parents.

"Sometimes they even bring you cookies around the holidays," she said.

Bragg said she plans to continue her bus-driving career even after she graduates.

"I would like to get my own route and really



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Brandy Bragg, an OKCCC paramedic student, drives part-time as a substitute bus driver for the Moore school district. She said she enjoys the job because she gets to know the kids who ride her bus and their parents. The state school system is currently looking for part-time drivers and bus monitors. Pay starts around \$8.25 an hour.

make a difference in the kids' lives," she said.

"I love it, highs and lows, I love it."

Safety, security director joins college staff

By Christiana Kostura
Staff Writer

After 10 years working in law enforcement and campus security, Ike Sloas has become OKCCC's director of campus safety and security as of Jan. 10.

Sloas said he is excited to be at the college and is looking forward to finding ways to improve OKCCC's safety and security.

"It looks to me like we're doing a lot of security things right, and we'll continue to do those and try to find some areas to make



Photo By Ana Rodriguez
Ike Sloas

improvements."

Georgia Perimeter College was Sloas' previous place of

employment. He said he worked there for three years as the campus police commander.

Sloas is a certified police officer in both Georgia and Arkansas. He said he has been through two police academies, putting in more than 800 hours in 20 weeks.

Sloas has an associate degree in law enforcement from Arkansas State University and a bachelor's degree in education from Arkansas State University. His master's degree in police administration is from Albany State University in Georgia.

Sloas said he taught one semester at a middle school in Arkansas but decided law enforcement was better suited to him.

"I figured out it was safer on the street," he said.

"At least I got to carry a gun and wear a bullet-proof vest."

Even though Sloas jokes about the safety of teach-

ing, he said he really enjoyed his class the semester he taught.

Sloas moved to Oklahoma City a couple of weeks ago with his wife and children.

He said he and his wife are looking forward to raising their nine-year-old daughter and newborn son in Oklahoma.

Employment Services website updated with categorized links

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

For those OKCCC students looking for a job, but coming up short, help is available.

Student Life Employment Services offers help for job hunters, said Student Employment Adviser Linda Fay.

Fay said Employment Services added a job listing board to its website in last year. She said 432 employers have joined the OKCCC job board at www.collegecentral.com/okccc.

"We average 150 jobs being listed at any time," Fay said. "Some of the jobs are part time and some of them are full time."

Fay said a few changes have been made to the job board and the Employment Services website.

"People who are currently registered can use their current ID [to log in,] but new [users] need to use their student ID number," Fay said.

Fay said another change that has been made to the website is the organization of links to other employ-

ment websites.

"More links were added and they were categorized," she said. Fay said students could search by category or by individual website.

Fay said the new categories are career exploration, employment laws, federal/state government jobs, job search databases and skills/résumé assistance,

Oklahoma job search, research and miscellaneous, salary and special interest assistance.

For more information contact Student Life Employment Services at 682-1611, ext. 7519, or visit www.okccc.edu/es.

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Helpful links to find a job

- Equal Employment Opportunity www.eeoc.gov
- www.alljobsearch.com
- www.monster.com
- Hoover's Online, free through OKCCC Library www.okccc.edu/library
- www.salary.com
- www.jobmonkey.com
- www.tvjobs.com
- www.black-collegian.com
- www.onlinesports.com/pages/CareerCenter.html

Film partners agree

By Shanna Larson
News Writing I Student

A deal in the making for two years has finally been approved for OKCCC film students. The Oklahoma Cinema Studies Consortium between University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City University and OKCCC will allow students to take classes at each of the schools.

For example, students enrolled at OKCCC could take a film class at OCU or OU, but enroll and pay for that class at the community college. The same goes for students at OCU or OU who want to take a class at OKCCC.

The students receive the credit from their home school. Fritz Kiersch, film and video department professor, is one of the developers of the consortium. He said students will be able to expand their major through the agreement.

The OKCCC film program is focused on the technical aspects of film, while OU's film program is more concerned with critical studies and appreciation of film, he said. The film program at OCU is centered more on the creative side of film production.

"[A student] can have a degree in just critical studies and that's fine," Kiersch said. "But if [that student] complements that degree with production knowledge and creative studies, [he or she is] a pretty dangerous candidate for a job."

The program also allows students enrolled at the community college in a two-year degree to continue with a four-year degree at the other two universities. Kiersch related it to the minor leagues preparing students to go to the majors at other schools.

Rick Allen Lippert, broadcasting professor, said the consortium is good for OKCCC.

"The best deal is for the community college students, because we have the lowest tuition rate," Lippert said.

Clay Tramel, a student in the Film and Video Studies Department at the community college, believes the benefit is to the OU and OCU students who now have the option of attending some classes at OKCCC.

"You guys should have been here to start with," said Tramel to his friends at OU. "Our program is really good here."

When asked if he saw any pitfalls or negatives to this program, Kiersch said it is necessary for his students to learn time management skills traveling to the other schools for class.

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—Rick Allen Lippert
Broadcasting Professor

Sports

UPCOMING

INTRAMURALS

•**Feb. 7 and 11:** A basketball shooting contest called Shoot Out Madness takes place on Monday, Feb. 7 and Friday, Feb. 11, in the gym. There will be free throw, three-point and spot-shooting contests. For more information call 682-1611, ext. 7786.

•**Feb. 8:** The spring season for Men's and Women's Intramural 5-on-5 basketball begins. Games are from 2 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the gym. Call 682-1611, ext. 7786, for more information.

•**Feb. 21 and 25:** An intramural table tennis tournament will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. in the gym. It is open to all currently enrolled OKCCC students with a validated ID card. For more information call 682-1611, ext. 7786.

YOUTH SPORTS

•**Feb. 24:** Sign-up deadline for the outdoor Pee Wee Soccer League for ages 4 to 11 years old. The cost is \$55 and includes team T-shirt. Games will be played on Thursdays and Saturdays from March 24 to April 30. For more information call 682-1611, ext. 7786.

•**April 7:** Sign-up deadline for Mighty Midgets T-Ball League for ages 4 to 7. The cost is \$60 which includes team T-shirt and cap. Games are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from May 3 to June 10.

Let the games begin says Watson

Intramural sports director announces lineup

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

For those who enjoy a little healthy competition at no cost, Recreation and Community Services offers free intramural sports.

Community Education and Health Specialist Eric Watson said few students know intramural sports are free.

Watson said he has been overseeing OKCCC's intramural sports since summer 2004.

"I am focused on informing the students about intramurals," he said.

Watson said each activity is put on for the students. He said he limited intramurals to three sports because too many were offered during the fall semester.

Watson said the first activity is Shoot Out Madness from 2 to 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 7, and 2 to 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 11 in the gym.

He said Shoot Out Madness is a basketball-shooting contest.

"Basically, there are three-point, free throw and spot-shooting contests," Watson said. He also said each contest is timed.

Watson said the spot-shooting contest consists of participants taking shots from specific marks on the basketball court.

"Whoever [scores] the most points will win it," he said.

Watson said anyone who can shoot a basketball should participate.

"It's more of a fun type of event," he said.

The second activity being offered is 5-on-5 basketball, Watson said. He said games will be played from 2 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays from Tuesday, Feb. 8 until March 10 in the gym.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Off the deep end: Katie Hanepaum, sophomore at Putnam City High School prepares for the PCHS Swimming and Diving Invitational on Jan. 18, at the Aquatic Center. The Aquatic Center is open weekly Monday through Saturday. For hours and activities contact 682-7860.

Watson said this semester there will be separate men's and women's 5-on-5 basketball leagues.

Watson said he expects the leagues to consist of eight men's teams and four women's teams.

"This is a free activity for currently-enrolled students," Watson said.

"Students can either put their own teams together or get placed on a team," he said.

"I do send an e-mail to all employees for an all-faculty team," Watson said.

"Once we get enough people interested, I will put the team together," he said.

The third activity is table tennis from 2 to 5 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 21 and Friday, Feb. 25, Watson said.

"We have tables here, and it will be set up like a tournament," Watson said.

He said the table tennis tournament would be coed.

Watson said students can register for any intramural at the Wellness Center Desk, the Recreation and Community Services Office in room 1C6 or online at

www.okccc.edu/rcs.

Watson said students are eligible to participate if they are currently enrolled and have a validated ID card.

OKCCC staff and faculty members are eligible to participate in intramural activities, with a validated employee ID card.

For more information contact Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786 or Recreation and Community Services at 682-7860.

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Signs to help new students find way

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

As new students become familiar with OKCCC, they will learn that navigating the campus can be difficult at times.

In order to combat this problem, the office of Student Services has decided to place 10 new signs around campus to help new students identify different areas, said Marion Paden, vice president for Student Services.

The signs, which cost approximately \$1,519.80, were placed in the 10 areas identified as being necessary to the enrollment process, Pa-

den said.

The various signs read: Welcome, Admissions, I.D's and Parking Decals, Registration, Advisement, Financial Aid, Test Center, Disability Office, the Bursar's office and GED, TOFL, ESL, and other testing, Paden said.

The signs are scheduled to be up during the periods of heavy enrollment in order to make the process smoother for students, Paden said.

Students seem to have mixed emotions about the usefulness of the signs.

James Douglas, a medical assistant major, said the signs were very helpful to him because they made it easier to locate the dif-

ferent areas he needed to find in order to enroll.

Lance Brooks, business major, disagrees. "They're a little hokey if you ask me. I think [the signs] are a big waste of money," Brooks said.

While Paden did admit she understands these signs will be of little help to students who are familiar with the college, she said the signs should prove to be invaluable to a new student.

"I think this will help prospective students a lot as they move through the enrollment process," Paden said.

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Freshmen Kristen Blake and Niki Warner stand near one of the signs placed in front of the areas which will be necessary in the enrollment process.

Faculty Association asks for raise in adjunct pay

By Alli S. Riney
News Writing I Student

During the Dec. 14 meeting, the Faculty Association passed a resolution asking the college to increase the salary of adjunct faculty members.

Adjunct faculty members teach approximately half of the classes offered at OKCCC, but receive less than half of the pay full-time professors receive per credit hour.

"The Faculty Association of Oklahoma City Community College endorses the goal of advancing the college's commitment to its adjunct faculty members by incrementally increasing their compensation rate until it reaches 50 percent of the average pay of full-time faculty members by the year 2010," states the resolution.

Currently, adjunct faculty members are paid \$530 per credit hour.

The resolution calls for the college to increase the rate of pay per credit hour to \$770, according to the resolution's editor's note.

The average annual pay for full-time professors is \$46,153 for teaching 30 credit hours. If paid at the adjunct faculty rate, the annual pay would only be \$15,900.

The resolution will soon be presented to the Board of Regents.

"They are in the position to take action and no one else is," said Sue Hinton, Faculty Association chair and journalism professor.

The idea of increasing adjunct faculty pay has been an issue at the Faculty Association meetings in recent months.

Many professors support the increase. However, some adjunct faculty pro-

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—Kristin Winterrowd
Adjunct History Professor

fessors are satisfied with their current status, even though they wouldn't object to a raise.

"I certainly wouldn't protest against a pay raise, but I don't feel like I need to be arguing for it," said Kristin Winterrowd, an adjunct history professor.

"Sure, I'd love more

money," she said. "But I'm a mommy first and being adjunct allows me the freedom to work around my kids."

"If you break down our payscale to the actual amount of hours we work, it comes out to roughly 19 bucks an hour — and that is for teaching one three-

hour class, per 16 weeks, putting in two office hours per week," she said.

"So, for five hours a week, that's 19 bucks an hour," said Winterrowd.

"I'm not complaining because that is a pretty easy 19 bucks an hour compared to nursing, McDonald's or Conoco," Winterrowd said.

The resolution passed with 24 votes in favor and three abstentions.

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Highlights

Auditions for Chamber Singers

Auditions for Chamber Singers will be held from Jan. 17 to 19. This is an auditioned choir and students can receive a tuition fee waiver for participation. A sign-up sheet for the audition is located outside of room 1C5 on the first floor of the Arts and Humanities building. If interested contact Ron Staton at 682-1611, ext. 7249.

Employment Services offers networking seminar

For those interested in making professional contacts while searching for a job, Employment Services offers a seminar entitled, "Networking and the Job Search" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25, in CU3. Rebecca Conner, a counselor at the Francis Tuttle Institute, will lead the seminar. Student Employment Adviser Linda Fay said Conner will discuss what networking is and how it is connected to the job search. For more information contact Employment Services at 682-1611, ext. 7519.

Applications being accepted for Fleming scholarship

The Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation is now accepting applications for its 2005 Sir Alexander Fleming summer scholarship. This program lets students work alongside scientists in OMRF's laboratories. The application deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 15. OMRF will select 12 outstanding Oklahoma science students to participate. Each will receive room, board and a \$2,500 stipend. For more information contact Shari Hawkins at 271-8537.

Employment Services Job Fair in March

Students and alumni should mark their calendars for the OKCCC Spring Job Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the college union. A separate job fair for health occupations will be from noon to 6 p.m. For more information contact Employment Services at 682-1611, ext. 7519.

Headlands Indian Health Careers Summer Program

The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center is now accepting applications for its Headlands Indian Health Careers Program, to be held June 5 to July 30. The application deadline is Tuesday, March 15. For more information contact 271-2250.

CLUB STORIES NEEDED

Does your student club or organization have an event you want put in Highlights?

Contact Club Reporter Matthew Caban at 682-1611, ext. 7410,

by e-mail at StaffWriter1@okccc.edu or come by room 2M6 in the main building and submit a Highlight form

All submissions must be in no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday for inclusion in the next issue.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Sweet Treats: Bashir Abdullah and Whitney Wright, along with other members of the Black Student Association, sell popcorn and cotton candy on the first floor of the main building. The proceeds from the fundraiser will help the club attend a leadership conference in February.

Virtual roller coaster rides, music sample of welcome week activities

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Roller coaster thrills, gallons of hot chocolate and music will highlight welcome week from Tuesday, Jan. 18, to Thursday, Jan. 27 in the college union.

Campus Activities Board sponsor and Student Life Director Liz Largent said a few free activities have been planned for students.

Largent said free hot chocolate will be served from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, in the college union.

Largent said marshmallows will be available to toss in.

"People can serve themselves as much as they want until it runs out," she said.

Largent said the hot chocolate would be on a table near Seller's Catering in the college union.

"We'll make three gallons at a time and refill it throughout the day to make sure [the hot chocolate] doesn't get cold," she

said.

Students can customize magnetic picture frames from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19, in the college union, Largent said.

"We ordered 150 foam magnetic frames that you put on your refrigerator," she said.

"You can put basketballs, fish and other things on the frames.

Largent said there is a limit of one frame per person and the activity is first-come, first-served.

"This is the first time we have done it," she said.

Largent said the third activity is tie-dyeing T-shirts from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20, in the college union.

The Campus Activities Board is sponsoring the event, Largent said. She said the organization's members will help students tie-dye the T-shirts.

Largent said the organization has about 150 white T-shirts for the activity and the limit is one shirt per person.

"You apply fabric paint to the shirt and twist the shirt

to form a unique design," Largent said.

"We have six colors: red, yellow, orange, green, purple and blue.

"You must tie-dye it to keep it, but people always ask for plain T-shirts."

Largent said singer and guitarist Sean Smith will perform acoustic music at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 26, in the college union.

Smith's most recent performance at OKCCC was during last semester's welcome week, Largent said his website is www.sean song.com.

The final welcome week event is the Screamer Motion Simulator at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 27, in the college union.

The simulator gives riders a roller coaster riding experience without going to the amusement park.

Kramer Entertainment will bring in the motion simulator. A video of the Screamer can be seen at www.kramerintl.com/omega.html.

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Classifieds

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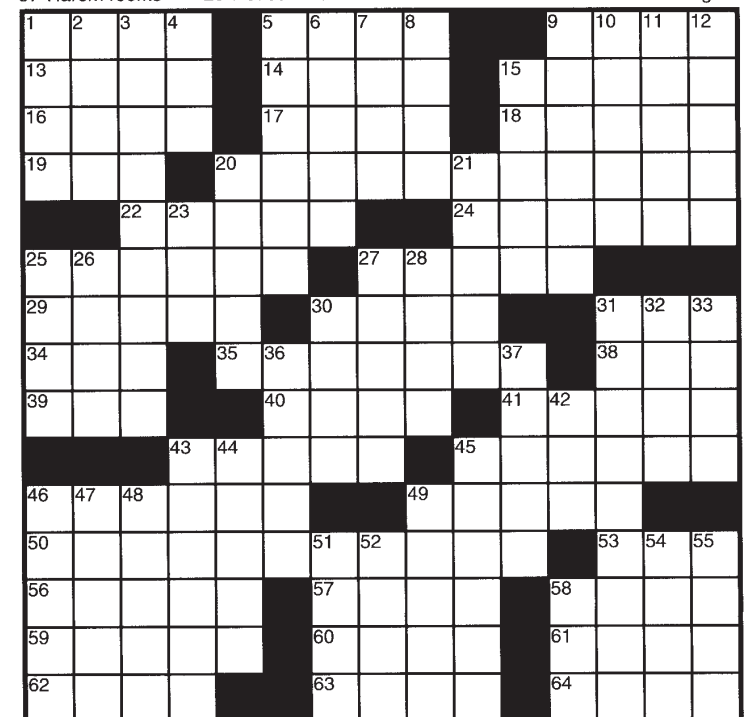
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Networking key to success

By Matt Caban
Staff Writer

According to many job-search experts networking can lead to landing a job.

Rebecca Conner, a counselor at the Francis Tuttle Institute, will lead a seminar titled, "Networking and the Job Search" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 25 in CU3.

Student Employment Adviser Linda Fay said Conner will discuss what networking is and how it is connected to the job search.

For those unfamiliar with the term networking, Fay said, "networking is when you make professional contacts with people

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—Marty Nemko

Monster.com Employment Expert

already working in a certain field."

Fay said, "Networking is the single best thing you can do while searching for a job."

"The more contacts you can get will increase your chance of being hired," Fay said.

Marty Nemko, a monster.com employment expert, echoed Fay's comments.

Nemko said, "When looking for a job, one early step should be to ask every well-connected person who likes you to let a few

potential employers know you [are] available."

"Your job search could be over before you know it," Nemko said.

Fay said another way for students to get contacts is by joining a club related to a particular field.

"There are many ways to develop contacts, but you have to get out there."

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Sign me up! Staci Shelton and Jill Lewis register for spring classes using the computers in the admissions area of the main building. Students can enroll online at www.okccc.edu. For more information, call Admissions and Records at 682-7512.

College president on the mend from heart surgery

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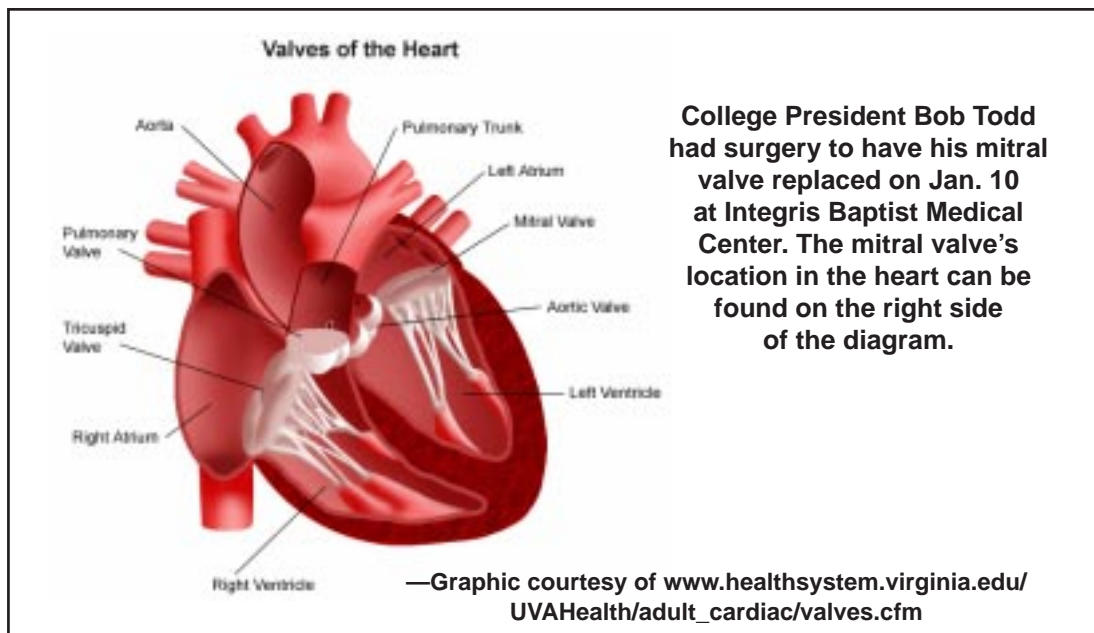
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Todd's wife, Marge, said on Jan. 12 that her husband was doing well, although he was still in intensive care at the time, as expected.

Todd has been the college's president since 1995. He has worked at the college since it opened in 1972.

"I look forward to a healthy future as we continue to serve students and our community," Todd said in the message.

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College President Bob Todd had surgery to have his mitral valve replaced on Jan. 10 at Integris Baptist Medical Center. The mitral valve's location in the heart can be found on the right side of the diagram.

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