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PIONEER

Springtime enrollment up by 5.9%

By Richard Hall
Editor

The numbers are in and the news is good. This year's spring enrollment is up by 5.9 percent compared to spring 2004 enrollment, said OKCCC Research Coordinator Joyce Morgan-Dees.

With more than 600 additional students than last spring, it puts OKCCC's figure up to 11,143 students this semester.

According to the OKCCC Office of Research's Spring 2005 Credit Student Highlights Demographics, returning students comprise 83.2 percent (9,273 students), new students, first-time and transfer, make up 15.6 percent (1,742 students) and concurrent high school students represent 1.2 percent (128 students).

Morgan-Dees said enrollment in general education classes has increased this year, but that it's no surprise to her.

"Every student attending OKCCC must have general education classes to move ahead," Morgan-Dees said. "It explains why they're so popular, especially when there are always new students enrolling."

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Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Whe-e-e-e-e: Priscilla Pigeon, 9th grader in the Pathways Middle College on campus, takes a break from class to slide down a hill on the northeast lawn after a snowstorm blew through Oklahoma City on Jan. 28.

Students have until April 15 to withdraw from classes

Those who quit going to classes without withdrawing could find Fs on their transcripts

By Christiana Kostura
Staff Writer

Student transcripts have reflected a failing grade in a course more than once for the same reason — the student quit going to class and did not officially withdraw.

The last day to withdraw from 16-week courses with a full refund was Jan. 28.

However, students still have until April 15 to withdraw without a refund and without a grade being posted to their transcript.

Many students don't realize they are the only ones who can officially withdraw from a class.

Leah Timothy, sophomore premed major, said professors should be allowed to withdraw a student. "Professors should be allowed to withdraw a stu-

dent after a certain amount of absences," she said.

"That way, it opens a seat in the class and prevents the student from receiving a failing grade."

Math professor Jay Malmstrom said some college students will inevitably forget to withdraw, no matter how much information is given them.

"We have to realize college students must have a certain maturity level to with-

"Professors should be allowed to withdraw a student after a certain amount of absences."

—Leah Timothy
Sophomore Premed Major

draw themselves if they're failing a class."

There are many different sessions of classes at OKCCC including Fast Track, 8-week, intersession. Each set of courses

has its own set of dates.

Dates for all of the course schedules can be found at www.okccc.edu/calendar.

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Editorial and Opinion

Editorial

What would Jesus say?

It was just a bad idea. Such was the case with the Jan. 26 VOX magazine article, "Holy Bible! New Bible translation has some saying, 'What's next?'"

The article discusses Rolling Stone magazine's recent decision to accept an ad for a new translation of the Bible called, "Today's New International Version" after rejecting the ad earlier in January.

Whereas other news outlets took the story seriously, the local magazine VOX took another route. "We poked fun at a topic that was meant to be serious," said VOX Editor-in-Chief Brandon Beard in defense of the article.

VOX's article is satire and not to be taken seriously, Beard said. "If you read the content, we feel it's painfully obvious," he said. "We're not covering that up at all." Yeah, right.

Although Beard said the satire is obvious, the magazine does not tell the readers its stories are meant solely for entertainment.

When you mix fact with fake quotes from fake sources, it's bad journalism.

The article quoted Rolling Stone's Jonathan Brisby and Zondervan's Jennifer Spray. When asked if the sources were genuine, Beard said no.

The fact that VOX magazine does not say it is satirical causes confusion for new readers, especially when they see a "news" story with quotes from people from reputable companies.

Think about the following quote the article attributes to Jonathan Brisby, a Rolling Stone spokesman, "We just got tired of taking sh*t from the Religious Right."

This fictitious quote casts a bad light on all journalists.

Furthermore, the article provides bad religious commentary.

It claims the Today's New International Version contains new things that are not in other versions of the Bible. Members of one Christian club on campus, the Baptist Collegiate Ministries, took offense to some of the article's claims.

Apparently, they didn't get the joke.

"It was not our intent to poke fun at anyone's religious views," Beard said.

VOX may be entertainment and not news, but not everyone understands this. The same issue contained an editorial that seemed to call local Christians intolerant of other religions.

The editorial claims the display of a crucifix means, "Around these parts, if you ain't a Christian, you ain't one of us."

It seems hypocritical that a publication which calls for religious tolerance is the one that leads people to laugh at the sacred beliefs of others.

Sounds like reverse bigotry to me, but I'll let you decide.

—Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Got condoms? They're free

To the editor:

They come in different sizes and colors. They are available in male, female, ribbed, studded, contoured, spiraled, dry or plain styles. You can even choose from a variety of flavors if you're interested.

Planned Parenthood of Central Oklahoma (PPCO) is joining other organizations nationwide to promote their use during National Condom Week, Feb. 7 through 11.

During the weeks before and after Valentine's Day, people can stop by their closest PPCO health centers to enter a "guess the number of condoms in the jar" contest, to pick up free condoms, candy and "Just Wear It" bumper stickers. Health centers are located in Norman, Edmond, Midwest City, south and central Oklahoma City.

Since the mid-1800s, when Goodyear invented a process to vulcanize rubber, latex condoms have been among the most popular means for sexually active people to prevent unintended pregnancy and the transmission of sexually

transmitted infections, including HIV.

"For Planned Parenthood, Valentine's Day and National Condom Week present a terrific opportunity to educate people about the importance of prevention and responsible condom use while dispelling the myths," said Terry Dennison, PPCO director of education services.

"Condom awareness and the promotion of responsible choices and behaviors, including abstinence, are all part of our continuing strategy of prevention."

In addition to activities planned at the PPCO health centers, PPCO will join student organizations to distribute free latex condoms, information and related items on area university and college campuses.

"Abstinence is 100 percent effective, but when a couple decides to have sexual intercourse, latex condoms used correctly are the only contraceptive method that reduces the risk of sexually transmitted infections," said Dennison.

"Through our activities during National Condom

Week, we hope to show that it's okay to talk about condoms, and that condom use should be the norm rather than the exception. The more comfortable people become, the better equipped they will be to make responsible decisions about their sexual health and behavior."

—Planned Parenthood
of Central Oklahoma

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Comments and Reviews

The Globes got it right

For once, all of the hype surrounding a Golden Globe winner is true.

"Sideways," directed by Alexander Payne, won Golden Globes for the best screenplay of a motion picture and best musical or comedy.

Every critic in America has been raving about this film since its release, and with good reason.

The movie does start a little slow, but once it begins to flow it doesn't stop until the credits role.

The story focuses on two middle-aged men, played by Paul Giamatti of "Big Momma's House" and Thomas Haden Church, of "George of the Jungle."

Miles (Giamatti) is a struggling writer who is desperately trying to get his latest attempt at a book published.

Jack (Church) wants to



have one last week of fun before he ends his life by getting married.

The film follows the two as they trek their way through wine country in California.

Each player is magnificently comical and they play off of each other very well throughout the entire movie.

Both of these actors give career performances, which give this film a special spark that, no doubt, helped the film win at the Golden Globes.

As good as the performances in this film are, the script behind this work is even better.

The story is both well written and extremely entertaining.

The writer of the screenplay, Alexander Payne, did a wonderful job balancing the elements of comedy and drama, which both add to the film's overall humor.

This blend facilitates laughter by jumping from a depressing scene to one that may crack you up.

Films this beautiful are a rare occurrence in today's Hollywood. Do not miss this one.

—Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

'Mean Girls' DVD worth a viewing

The movie may be older, but the girls are just as mean. The "Mean Girls" DVD is packed with great acting, quality and extras.

The movie focuses on Cady Heron, played by Lindsay Lohan, who has entered public school for the first time and is learning all about the evil popularity game.

After meeting two odd friends, Heron is introduced to American culture (she was raised in Africa) and to the cliques in the school, including the math geeks and the girls who are as pretty as they are mean.

The plot touches on most aspects of today's teenage drama by exposing stereo-



types and encircling the school with back-stabbing rumors that torture the students within.

Members of the Saturday Night Live cast help make the movie a worthwhile comedy. Tina Fey plays a typical teacher, Tim Meadows is the odd high school principal and Ana Gasteyer

plays Heron's intellectual mother.

The DVD quality and sound are excellent.

DVD features include hilarious commentaries by the director, producer, and Tina Fey, who co-starred in the movie as well as wrote the screenplay.

Other extras include deleted scenes, silly bloopers and featurettes. There is also a French track option that makes the mean girls sound even meaner.

The "Mean Girls" DVD is worth renting but is probably not a must-have for your DVD collection.

Rating: B

—Ana Rodriguez
Staff Writer



Q: Why does the college wait so long to send out financial aid checks?

A: We [Financial Aid] have to wait until after the two week drop-and-add period. Then we start the process of getting ready to cut the Pell Grant checks. Everything charged to your Pell in the bookstore must be deducted from the check amount.

It's a service to the student that we allow them to charge their books. The only way we could get checks out earlier is not to offer the service.

Students can start filing their FAFSA any time after Jan. 1 as long as they have their taxes completed.

Filing the FAFSA on time ensures the student will receive their check as quickly as possible.

—Janis Armstrong
Student Aid Programs Coordinator

Q: Why is there an OKCCC football T-shirt for sale in the bookstore when OKCCC doesn't have a football team?

A: It is meant to be a joke.

—Erin Newcomer
Bookstore Clerk

Q: Why are textbooks so expensive?

A: There are many factors in the cost of textbooks. It starts with the publisher's cost, then the bookstore does a markup of the price.

The markup has stayed the same for years, and the bookstore does it to stay in business. Think of it like any other retail operation.

—Brenda Reinke
Bookstore Director

Q: Where can a list of the displayed flags be found?

A: The reason [Student Life] doesn't have a permanent list is because the display is changed based on where our international students are from.

We do a census of our international students who are here on F-1 visas every spring.

—Jon Horinek
Coordinator of Community Engagement
for Student Life

Quote of the Week:

"In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed; it must be achieved."

—Franklin D. Roosevelt

Do you have a question you just can't seem to get answered?
Let the Pioneer do the dirty work for you.
E-mail your question to Richard at
editor@okccc.edu



Photo by Shawn Bryant

Where's the fire? At 5:14 p.m. on Feb. 2, the Oklahoma City Fire Department responded to a medical call from Mary Turner's counseling office where a student was suffering an asthma attack. EMSA took her to Norman Regional Hospital.

Bioinformatics workshop success

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

Thirty faculty members from regional universities were on campus to attend a development workshop Jan. 6 through 8, said Charlotte Mulvihill, Biotechnology professor. Six of those in attendance were OKCCC faculty members. The rest were professors from Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.

The National Bioinformatics Workshop was funded by the National Science Foundation. Bioquest is the organization responsible for the event.

Mulvihill said she was pleased with the overall turnout of the workshop. "Given that the weather was so bad, I think it went very well," Mulvihill said. "We had close to 90 percent participation."

Mulvihill said, since this is a one-time workshop, only time will tell if it was truly beneficial.

"The real proof of the pudding will be whether... the faculty incorporate the information into their classrooms," she said.

Don't drive, cruise the Internet

By Shawn Bryant
Staff Writer

In hopes of assisting those who don't have time to come to school, OKCCC has implemented an online learning program with more than 300 courses.

Courses cover a vast range of topics with computer, accounting, parenting, test prep and many other classes.

Rocio Clayborn, Workforce Development Training Coordinator, said the idea originated from Billy Kay Meachum, OKCCC's previous Training Center director.

Clayborn said after Meachum stepped down, she took over attempts to implement the program for

the college.

The program, started in late November, has been online for close to two months.

Already, five students have signed up, Clayborn said.

Clayborn said the courses are non-credit so they won't affect a student's grade point average.

Students will not be required to take exams either, Clayborn said.

A certificate for proof of completion will be available for \$5 at the end of the course.

According to the training center's website okccc.edu/trainingcenter/Ed2Go.html, the courses last six weeks.

During this period 12

lessons will be completed.

The lessons are made available to the student twice a week for six weeks, the website stated.

Students may be required to participate in student-teacher discussion boards, Clayborn said, but students will never be required to meet personally with their teacher.

"Everything is done online," she said.

Since Clayborn is more than partially responsible for getting the program up and running, she said she is proud of the work she has accomplished in the program.

"[The Program] has great potential. We definitely need to market a little more," Clayborn said.

To view a list of the more than 300 courses being offered, visit the training center's website.

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Black History Month to be celebrated at OKCCC

**By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer**

Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice Tom Colbert will speak at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22 in CU3 in honor of Black History Month.

"What we want to do is have a localized look of Black Oklahomans," said Jon Horinek, Community Engagement coordinator.

He said three speakers will be on campus during Black History Focus Week from Feb. 21 to 25.

"Our first speaker is Tom Colbert," Horinek said.

"Not only is he relevant because he is the first African-American Supreme Court Justice, which happened last year, but he is an accomplished lawyer," Horinek said.

"He is someone who exemplifies overcoming the odds. From what we hear, he is a great speaker."

Colbert's appearance is important because it is one

of his few speeches this spring, Horinek said.

Following Colbert will be storyteller and songwriter Al Bostic at noon, Wednesday, Feb. 23 in CU1.

Bostic has shared his perspective of African stories and songs at OKCCC before, Horinek said.

The third speaker during the week at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 24 in CU8 will be Clara Luper, an activist and Oklahoma Civil Rights Pioneer.

Horinek said Luper helped organize one of the nation's first nationally-publicized sit-in protests in Oklahoma City in 1958.

"Everyone should hear her speak," Horinek said.

"She will be talking about what it was like to be in the middle of the early Civil Rights movement.

"Other things she will talk about are the challenging setbacks and victories of the Civil Rights movement. This includes what we still have to overcome and what we have to do.

"We've got three amazing

speakers for that week," Horinek said.

Another vital part of the celebration is an exhibit on loan from the Oklahoma Humanities Council.

"And they called us colored," the exhibit, is on display now through Feb. 25 on the first floor of the main building.

The exhibit is featured in the Traveling Exhibits program, a cooperative project of the Oklahoma Humanities Council and the Oklahoma Museum of History, with support from Omniplex, stated an OKCCC press release.

Horinek said this photographic exhibition explores the everyday lives of black Oklahomans in and around the farming community of Seward, south of Guthrie in Logan County, during the early 20th century.

He said Student Life also will hand out various bookmarks featuring prominent black Americans such as Hank Aaron, Halle Berry, Julian Bond and W.B. Dubois.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Guitarist Sean Smith showcases his music during the club and organizations fair. Band member Chris Graham joined him. Both guitarists traveled from Tennessee. The acoustic folk band, Sean Smith Band, is starting a Black History Month tour. For more information, visit www.seansong.com.

For more information, contact Horinek at 682-1611, ext. 7679.

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Club raises money to help Asian tsunami victims

**By Christiana Kostura
Staff Writer**

Loose change and paper money filled several Ozarka water jugs placed around campus to raise money for tsunami victims in Southeast Asia.

Student Life worked with the International Student Association to raise the funds, said Jon Horinek, Student Life Community Engagement coordinator. Ozarka donated the jugs for the cause, he said.

"We raised close to \$300," Horinek said. "Every little bit helps."

A check will be sent to the American Red Cross, he said. The money was raised



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Victoria Smith, GED student, and Rose Harris, history major, donate to the Tsunami Relief booth during the club and organizations fair.

throughout the month of January.

Horinek said the Student Life department is proud of

the clubs helping in the effort to raise money.

Student Life may try to organize another fund-

raiser in the future, Horinek said.

"We encourage people to give what they can," he said. Southeast Asia will be rebuilding for a long time and will need the funds.

To donate money to the tsunami relief effort now, people may drop off checks or money orders at the Office of Student Life. The office is located on the first floor of the main building.

Horinek said Student Life would send the money to the proper organization free of charge.

Southeast Asia was struck by a tsunami, a very large ocean wave caused by an underwater earthquake or volcanic eruption, on Dec. 26.

The countries most af-

ected by the tsunami, according to the Red Cross include Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Maldives, Thailand, Myanmar, Malaysia and East Africa.

At press time, more than 275,000 people have been reported dead in the affected countries. More than 15,000 people have been reported missing.

An additional 2,242,000 victims have been displaced, according to the Red Cross.

According to their website, www.redcross.org, the American Red Cross has received more than \$258.7 million in pledges for the Tsunami Relief Effort.

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Students make Vice-President's list

Students are eligible to be placed on the Vice President's Honor Roll in any semester in which they have achieved a semester grade point average of 3.5 while carrying at least 12 hours. Part-time students are eligible if they have maintained a 3.5 GPA for two consecutive semesters.

Bashir Abdullah, Christian Ackley, Amanda Adams, Cynthia Adams, Chance Addison, Jessica Addison, Emmanuel Adjei, Sharmila Ahmad, Stephanie Airington, Brandon Akbaran, Jessica Akers, Micah Alcorn, Ruester Aleson, Brittney Alexander, Carol Allen, James Alters, Mohammad Amaireh, Richard Ammons, Dominic An, Michaela Anders.

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Noble Diven, Huong Doan, Drew Duncan, Sherri Duncan, Sylvia Duran, Amy Dye, Kelley Eakins, Roland Edmonds, Russell Edwards, Thomas Ellis.

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An education isn't how much you have committed to memory, or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you do know and what you don't. —Anatole France (1844 - 1924)

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. For more information call 682-1611, ext. 7786.

•**Feb. 21 and 25:** An intramural table tennis tournament will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in the gym. It is open to all OKCCC students with a valid 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. 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.

OTHER SPORTS

Recreation and community services is offering adult fitness classes in body sculpting, combo aerobics, hatha yoga, interval/step aerobics, pilates, tai-chi and taijii. Classes last four weeks and cost \$20 per class. For more information visit www.okccc.edu/rcs

This girl has a basketball jones

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Miranda Bandy doesn't care whether she plays against men or women as long as she is on the court.

Behind the shining smile is a player, a basketball player.

Bandy is tough. The sophomore education major still plays basketball even after reconstructive knee surgery.

Bandy is one of few women on campus to sign up for the spring intramural 5-on-5 basketball league, which runs from Tuesday, Feb. 8 to Thursday, March 10.

The lack of interest in the game by women is surprising to her, Bandy said.

"What girl wouldn't want to be surrounded by a bunch of hot, sweaty men," she said.

One reason for playing despite her past injury, Bandy said, is she simply loves basketball.

Bandy graduated from Westmoore High School in 2003 and would have played for their girl's basketball team, she said. However, she suffered a knee injury while playing basketball in the summer following her freshman year.

"I played my freshman year at Brink Junior High, but had to have knee surgery," she said.

"After my freshman year, I wasn't allowed to play."



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Miranda Bandy practices her jump-shot in the OKCCC gym. The gym is open to all students from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students who do not have a basketball may check one out at the Wellness Center with a valid ID.

Bandy's friends are very supportive.

"You can tell that she is out here just to play," said nursing freshman David Gray.

"She doesn't have to prove anything to play with the guys."

Bandy said she has met many people by shooting around and playing pick-up games on campus.

She is happy to be playing basketball competitively again.

"Of course you always want to win, but it's mostly for fun," Bandy said.

Although she plans to become a teacher and a basketball coach, Bandy said she would love to represent OKCCC as a basketball player.

Basketball is not currently offered as a club or scholarship sport at OKCCC, but Bandy said she would like to see students from OKCCC take on other colleges.

Until then, she will have to settle for outplaying and outscoring the guys.

Registration is ongoing for the 5-on-5 intramural basketball league. Forms can be turned in at the Wellness Center Desk or online at www.okccc.edu/rcs.

For more information contact Eric Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786.

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Intramural sports program continues

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

With three events scheduled, the coming weeks will be the busiest time of the spring for Community Education and Health Specialist Eric Watson and Sports Assistant Charlie Tarver.

Tarver said registration is ongoing for each of the three upcoming intramural events.

The first event, Shoot Out Madness, a basketball-

shooting contest, has approximately 12 participants registered as of Feb. 1, Tarver said.

Tarver said he expects 15 more people to sign up for the event, which is from 2 to 5 p.m. on both Monday, Feb. 7, and Friday, Feb. 11, in the gym.

"We want to allow the shooters to start shooting from where they are comfortable," Tarver said.

The next event, 5-on-5 basketball, has approxi-

mately 35 people signed up, as of Feb. 1, Tarver said.

"We should have 20 more people sign up for 5-on-5," Tarver said.

Basketball league play begins at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 8, in the gym.

Tarver said the third intramural event scheduled for February is a table tennis tournament.

The tournament is from 2 to 4 p.m. on both Mon-

day, Feb. 21, and Friday, Feb. 25, in the gym.

Tarver said the tournament only needs eight participants and four people have already signed up.

Watson said each of these intramurals are free.

A student must be currently enrolled and have a valid ID to participate, Watson said.

For more information contact Watson at 682-1611, ext. 7786.

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This Valentine's Day remain stress free

Get something special for your better half
without going broke

By **Christiana Kostura**
Staff Writer

- ♥ Be My Valentine Teddy Bear and Chocolates from Wal-Mart includes teddy bear, a dark chocolate square, red glitter candles, milk chocolate truffles, heart-shaped box with assorted chocolates, strawberry bonbons in decorative bag and a chocolate heart for \$19.97.
- ♥ Sterling Silver Floating Heart Earrings and Pendant Set from Target for \$17.99.
- ♥ Visit www.crayola.com to create a Custom Crayola 64 Box of Crayons for only \$8.99.
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- ♥ Have a sterling silver ring engraved with a message at www.limogesjewelry.com for \$19.

Take your significant other somewhere nice
for a reasonable price

By **Matthew Caban**
Staff Writer

Romantics still need to eat on Valentine's Day. Here is a list of romantic restaurants that won't cost a fortune.

Papa Dio's Italian Restaurant & Wine Bar, 10712 N. May Ave., may be a ways from OKCCC, but this authentic Italian food is worth the drive. Casual and fine dining are offered in this friendly environment. A romantic, secluded wine bar is available for those 21 and over. Entrées range from \$15 to \$20 per person, with the meal costing \$45 to \$50 for two. For reservations, call 755-2255.

Zio's Italian Kitchen, 2035 S. Meridian and 12 E. California in Bricktown, has been rated the best place for Italian food by readers of the Oklahoma Gazette each year since 2002. The food is great and the prices are even better. The average cost for entrées

is \$10 with the highest being \$14. Classic recipes like shrimp limoné, trio del maré [baby scallops, shrimp and calamari] and grilled salmon are delicious. For reservations, call 680-9999 for the South Meridian location or 278-8888 for Zio's in Bricktown.

Iron Gate Café, 2625 S.W. 119 St., is the closest fine dining experience to OKCCC. Its prices for entrées range between \$9.99 and \$14.99, including swordfish and chicken fettuccini alfredo. For reservations, call 378-3500.

Johnny Carino's Country Italian Restaurant, 7900 S. Walker Ave., in Oklahoma City, and 970 Ed Noble

Parkway in Norman, offers authentic Italian food in an elegant setting. Some booths at Johnny Carino's have curtain for guests to eat in seclusion. The average cost of entrées is \$10 with the highest at about \$15. For reservations, call 632-4600 for the S. Walker location or 447-5005 for the Norman location.

Eddy's Steakhouse, 4227 N. Meridian Ave., has a variety of entrées including prime rib, porterhouse T-bone, lamb loin chops, salmon and fried shrimp. For reservations, call 787-2944.

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Valentine's Day history and facts

- The holiday began in France and England
- The Duke of Orlean's (a Frenchman) sent the first Valentine, after being captured in 1415.
He sent it to his wife on Valentine's Day.
- The oldest known greeting card is a Valentine card made in the 1400's and can be admired at the British Museum (London).
- Over 1 billion Valentine cards and 50 billion roses are sent for Valentine's Day, according to <http://familyinternet.about.com/library/blvalentinesdayfacts.htm>

Students share their favorite Valentine's Day gifts

"Once, my girlfriend blindfolded me, drove me to the spot where we first kissed and we had dinner picnic style."

—J.J. Dabirian, Sophomore Psychology major



"A gold watch that broke in two weeks."

—Roosevelt Livingston
Freshman Business Management major



"Red M&Ms. All the other colors were picked out."

—Kristina Gaines,
Freshman Biology major



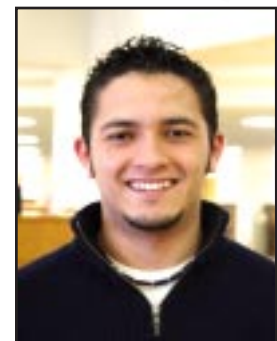
"I had wanted a dog for six months, so I got a little stuffed animal dog and a rose from my boyfriend."

—Tiffany Swyden,
Sophomore Psychology major



"A girl gave me a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle Shirt once. I never asked her out, but she was nice."

—Carlos Obando,
Sophomore Music major



"A basket of sugar cookies and a bottle of wine."

—José Solis,
Sophomore Engineering major

Photos by Ana Rodriguez

Highlights

Interested in saving lives? Give blood

The Oklahoma Blood Institute will be on campus from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, and Thursday, Feb. 17, in CU3. Each time you give blood you can save someone's life and get a free T-shirt. For more information contact Jon Horinek at 682-7523.

Abilities Galore bake sale

The student club Abilities Galore will hold a bake sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, and Friday, Feb. 11, in the foyer of the main building. The sale's theme is hearts. Club members will sell tasty heart-shaped cookies and cakes. A drawing will be held for his and her gift baskets. For the inside scoop on the sweets contact Jenna Howard at 682-1611, ext. 7621.

Oklahoma Biotechnology Association meeting

If you are interested in the biotechnology program, or are currently enrolled in it, you are invited to attend the first Oklahoma Biotechnology Association meeting of the spring semester from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 9, in room 1C7 of the main building. Jennifer Greenlee, a former student in the program, will be speaking about an internship program and the job market for biotechnology. Pizza, soft drinks and cookies will be provided.

Making your money work for you

Employment Services will sponsor a seminar, "Making Your Money Work For You" from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 15, in CU3. The speaker will be Ray Hance, education director for Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Central Oklahoma.

Spring volunteer opportunities available

From 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma, students can help stock shelves and organize donations. For more information about this and other volunteer opportunities contact Jon Horinek at 682-7523.

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. Each participant 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 2, 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.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance available

Free tax help will be available to students and community members from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday to Thursday until April 14, in the Student Life Office. This service is open to all, but intended for students and low-to moderate-income people who cannot prepare their own tax returns. For more information contact Student Life at 682-1611, ext. 7523.



Photo by Ana Rodriguez

Master builders: Pathways Middle College students, (left to right) Eric Fonseca, Thucue Phan, Dawn Hoffman, Mary Farrell, Priscilla Pigeon, Alyson Melton, Adriana Fonseca and Jessica Henley, enjoy the snow on Jan. 28 after a winter storm blew through Oklahoma City.

Art of love video is Christian club's Valentine's Day treat for students

By Matthew Caban
Staff Writer

Rather than sleep or suffer from boredom between classes on Valentine's Day, one student club is doing something fun, informative and even a bit risqué.

The Baptist Collegiate Ministries will watch portions of a video series, "The Song of Solomon" from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14, in CU4 and CU5.

BCM sponsor Mike Barnett said the series is based on the Biblical book of the same name. It is about the do's and don'ts of romance and love in general.

He said the series has 12 parts, each 30 minutes long, featuring creator Tommy Nelson.

"We will play parts one through four. The first has to do with attraction and the next has to do with dating.

"Parts three and four deal with courtship."

Barnett said the club played the videos on cam-

pus last fall.

One of the students to watch the videos was BCM Special Events Leader Jeremy Barr. The sophomore broadcasting major said the videos were funny while informing.

"The visualization of his words was hilarious.

"My favorite part was [Nelson's] description of the love scene between a man and a woman."

Barr said students should watch the videos to get the rest of the story.

"This has a connection to Valentine's Day because Valentine's Day is a day for romance and love," Barnett said.

He agrees with Nelson's description of the series.

"Love, sex, marriage and romance give us great joy and satisfy our deepest desires and needs," Nelson wrote in the guide to the series.

He said God left instructions for people in the Song of Solomon.

Barnett said he has seen dating become an area of trouble for some people.

He said romance and love are positive things that are meant to satisfy a person.

"This series has even taught my wife and me a thing or two about God's view on romance," he said.

BCM Publicity Officer Allison Foster said the videos benefit single and married people.

"These videos will give us great views about love, romance and the s-word—sex—from a different perspective."

Barnett said a good thing about the series is the way Nelson discusses each issue. "He speaks directly and humorously about these topics," he said.

Barr agreed with Barnett and recalled everyone laughing during the videos.

"It's fun and you should go to learn about these subjects," Barr said. "It can't hurt you to watch a guy talk about sex and the Bible."

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Room and Board. Before and after school care for 2 elementary age children. Nighttime assistance with 2 elementary age children and 1 preschooler. Evening schedule flexible. Must have childcare/work experience. Must be honest, responsible, and reliable. Must have own vehicle. Located in Northwest OKC. Call (405) 721-8800 after 6 p.m.

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FOR RENT

RESPONSIBLE ROOMMATE WANTED: Single young mother looking for honest person to share house. Willing to half bills. Call 204-8633, 701-5415 or 701-5416. Ask for Leslie.

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FOR RENT: 1-bedroom apartment, fully furnished; \$150 deposit and \$300/month. 740-0346.

ROOMMATE WANTED: Roommate needed ASAP to share a 2 bed, 2 bath apartment. Situated on NW 47 & Penn (near Penn Square Mall); \$250/monthly plus bills. Call David at 924-8542.

RESPONSIBLE ROOMMATE WANTED: Room for rent in Norman, \$265/month and half the bills. Call Cara at 701-5958.

FURNITURE

FOR SALE: Solid Pine Bedroom Suite: headboard, footboard and rails (king or queen), dresser and mirror, night stand; \$175 OBO. Call 680-7513 or 550-4866.

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FOR SALE: Krakaur console piano. Excellent condition, \$850. Call 681-4842.

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FOR SALE: Alpine 6-disc car cd changer, head unit and amp, \$300. Call 424-0619.

FOR SALE: 2 Rockford Fosgate Punch P1 12" subwoofers for \$180 with box, starting price. Can go down a little. 406-7042.

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MISSING: American Eagle backpack was misplaced Thurs., Dec. 2. The bag was on a couch near entry 14 (close to the science lab). My PASSPORT was inside the bag - #: KA346486. If anyone has found or finds my bag or passport, please turn it in at the college information desk or security office. Call Atif with any information at 850-3579.

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FOR SALE: 2 Sony X-Plode 12" subwoofers with box, \$180. 2 Kicker Comp. VR 12" subwoofers with box, \$200. 1,000 watt Xplode amp with bass boost controller, \$150 OBO. 409-9571.

FOR SALE: Satellite dish, \$10. Wooden coffee table, \$10. Kodak 2.0 MP camera, \$40. 414-7070.

WANTED: Someone to carpool Mon., Wed., Fri. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Willing to adjust hours to yours for any or all of the days. To OKCCC from Norman. Also will use my car some of the trips. 701-5415.

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- 23 Zoo favorite
- 24 Christmas or Easter
- 26 "Bam!"
- 29 Floor covering
- 31 Actor Ameche
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- 34 Hole for a shoelace
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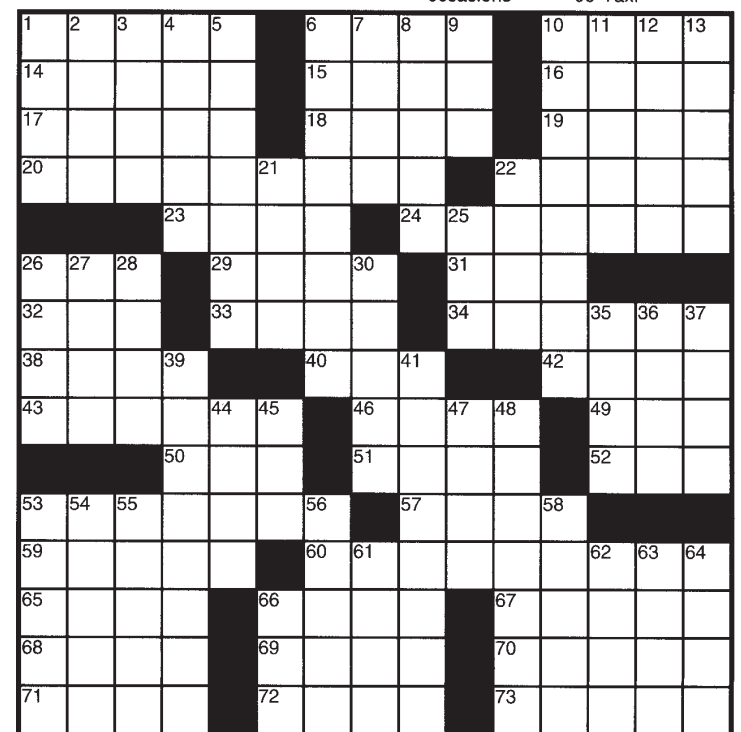
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Water causes collapse

**By Christiana Kostura
Staff Writer**

Rainy and snowy weather caused a scare for several Pathways Middle College students who made way for falling ceiling tiles Jan. 28.

Waterlogged ceiling tiles fell onto the floor of room 3N4. Later, more tiles fell onto the third floor hallway in the main building of OKCCC.

Oddly enough, a solution to past roof leaks is what caused the problem.

A temporary roof draining system was clogged with debris from the current

roofing project, said Chris Snow, Physical Plant assistant director.

Snow said the plug caused the water to build up, overflow and soak through to the ceiling.

Representatives from Oklahoma Roofing, the contractor for the current project, cleared the drain and helped clean the third-floor classroom and hallway.

The solution was simple enough.

"To resolve the problem, we cleared the drain," said John Reilly, Oklahoma Roofing project manager.

"The ultimate solution is finishing the roof... (which)

is two-thirds done."

Snow said OKCCC enjoys a positive working relationship with Oklahoma Roofing.

"The Physical Plant and Oklahoma Roofing worked together to remedy the problem," Snow said.

Snow said the damage is minimal.

The damaged ceiling tiles will need to be replaced, he said, but the rest of the affected area will dry out and be fine.

Snow said problems like the one that occurred on Jan. 28 are rare.

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Enrollment up by almost 6%

"Enrollment,"
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The numbers showed that, while math courses have the largest number of students enrolled, biology courses saw the largest percentage increase from last year with 12 percent or 3,674 students.

History courses experienced a 5 percent decrease and English classes rose 11 percent this year.

Morgan-Dees said increasing enrollment comes with a price. It means certain courses may fill up more quickly, which could leave late enrollers high and dry.

"If there are a significant number of students still wanting to enroll in the class," Morgan-Dees said, "the college usually offers a whole new section for those extra students."

Emergency Medical Services courses had one of the largest increases this year, gaining 179 students, allowing a 195 percent jump. Enrollment in English as a Second Language jumped 61 percent, with 33 new students.

Morgan-Dees said OKCCC is one of the fastest growing colleges in Oklahoma, and part of that is due to the economy.

"When the economy is down, there is an increase in enrollment," she said. "It's just something that happens throughout the nation."

Morgan-Dees said the increase also is due to the college recruiting heavily in Oklahoma high schools, which brings in more concurrent high school students every semester.

Having an increase in enrollment is always positive, Morgan-Dees said, but it can also have a negative side effect.

"Funding levels for higher education in Oklahoma have stayed at status quo," she said. "The school has the same number of people working but continue to have a higher number of students attending."

Although the funding has stayed constant, she said, the departments of Student Services and Academic Affairs are always looking for creative ways to deal with enrollment increases while continuing to provide students with the education they deserve.

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Trash cans catch a torrent of water after ceiling tiles collapse on the third floor of the main building. Roofing debris clogged up a temporary drain on the college's roof which caused runoff from recent rain and snow to gather between the roof and ceiling. Physical plant workers anticipated the collapse after another one happened earlier in the day.

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